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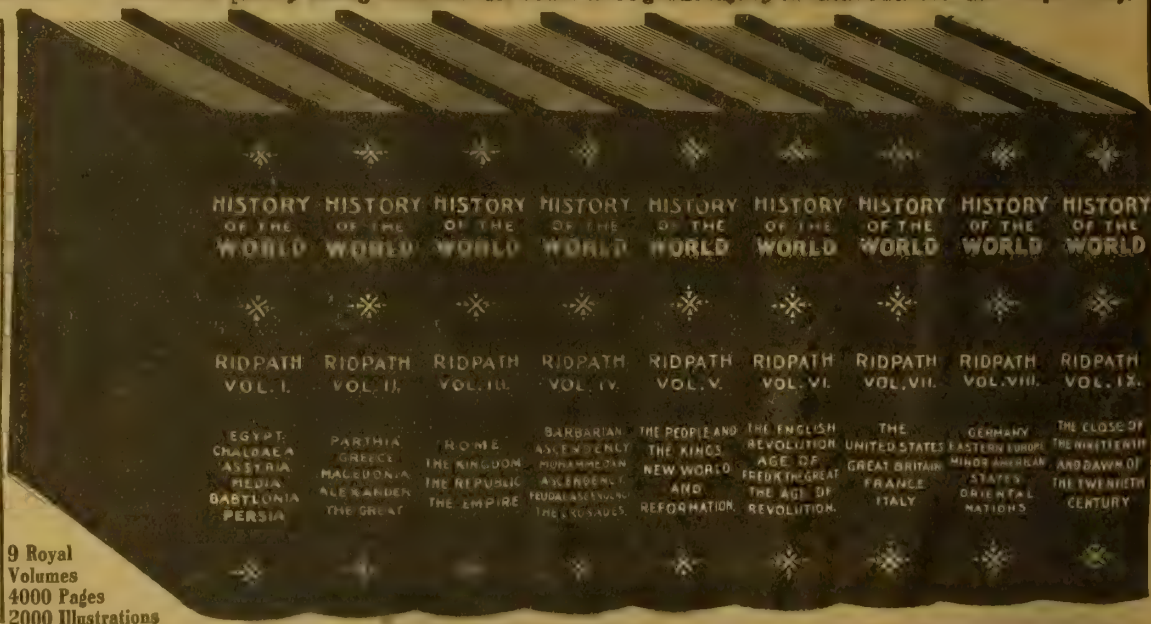
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HOW PATTY EARNED HER SALT

"She don't even earn her own salt," Patty heard her mother say that morning, in an impatient tone. "If she were only a boy, now, she might run on errands or do something to get a little money, and we need every cent we can get, with the interest money to be paid, and land knows what else!"

"Tut, tut, child!" had replied the good old Quaker grandmother; "thee must remember, Sophia, that the little one's but a mere chick yet and can only pick up the bits which the mother hen scratches for." And Mrs. Drake, without saying more, had gone about her work, all unconscious that her words had been heard by the little girl beneath the window.

Poor Patty! How those words kept repeating themselves in her ears. Was it true that she did not earn her salt? And she was so fond of salt. Her father often laughingly remarked that Patty would probably want to salt her coffee when she grew to be a woman.

How she wished that she were a boy! Then, as her mother had said, she might earn some money by doing errands. Only the day before, the boy who came to deliver the groceries had told Patty's mother that old Miss Hunter wanted a boy to run on errands for her. "But," he added, "she's so awful stingy with her money that none of the boys will go near her."

Perhaps, though, thought Patty, she would be willing to give salt for pay. And couldn't she run on errands just as well as any boy? Her feet were good and strong, and didn't she walk three quarters of a mile each day to school and back?

Patty resolved, in spite of all the stories that she had heard about the stingy old lady, that she would go and ask Miss Hunter to let her do the errands for her; although her little heart beat like a trip hammer at the very thought of so bold an undertaking.

Miss Hunter lived in an old-fashioned mansion, only a short distance from the unpretentious farm house of the Drakes. Her brother had been a much-respected squire in the quiet town, and was supposed to have been wealthy; but when he died, leaving his place to his only sister, Miss Hunter had immediately dismissed two of her servants, retaining only one old man, who was lame and very deaf, to do the chores, while she occupied one room and seemed determined to have nothing to do with any one.

The only time she was to be seen on the street was on Sundays, when she drove to church in the queer old chaise behind a dismal-looking horse, which had won for itself the title of "Old Calamity." She never went to the store herself, and

if a peddler were so bold as to call at her door, he was ordered away at once, with the remark, "Don't come near me with your trash; I can't afford it!"

Patty had seen her in church, sitting always in the same position, never moving a muscle of her face until the sermon was over, when she would take her spectacles off, put them into their case, and walk out in a slow, dignified manner, speaking to no one and looking neither to the right nor the left.

Such was the woman Patty had determined to serve. Was it any wonder her heart failed her? But as often as she felt like giving up her enterprise, her mother's words, "She don't even earn her salt," would ring in her ears, giving her fresh determination.

Accordingly, the next day, on her way home from school, Patty walked bravely up the weed-grown path, and knocked on the front door with the great brass knocker which represented a lion holding a ring in his mouth. If the lion's head had been a live one, Patty would scarcely have stood more in fear of it.

It seemed to her hours before she heard any sound, and not daring to knock again she made up her mind that she would give up the attempt and go home, when she heard a scraping sound as of a huge bolt being slid, and the door was opened a very little.

"No, we don't want anything today," exclaimed a squeaky voice; "we've got all the pins and needles we want, and—"

"If you please, ma'am, I don't want to sell anything," answered Patty, breaking in on the old lady's speech, fearful lest the door would be closed before she could make known her errand. "I'm Patty Drake, that lives in the house just a little way down the road, and I've come to ask you—"

"You needn't come here begging," began the old lady, in a sharp tone of voice. "We have enough to do to take care of ourselves without—"

"But, if you please, ma'am, I don't want to beg for anything, either," again broke in Patty. "Only I heard the other day that you wanted a boy to do errands for you, and so I thought—that—maybe—perhaps, I could do them for you."

"But you are not a boy," answered the old lady, opening the door a little wider.

"No'm; but I can walk just as well as a boy, and teacher says I've got a good mem'ry, and you'd only have to pay me in—salt," replied Patty.

"Pay you in salt, child! What do you mean?" exclaimed the old lady, opening the door still wider to get a view of her visitor.

"Why, you see, ma'am, mother said

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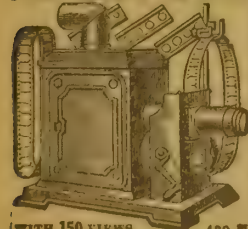
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"Well, well! I never!" ejaculated Miss Hunter. "How old are you, pray?"

"If you please, ma'am, I'm nine years old, going on ten."

"And do you think you could keep your own counsel, child?"

"If you please, what is it to keep your own counsel?" asked Patty.

"Why, it means that you mustn't tell people all that you see and hear in other folks' houses."

"Oh, I never do that!" exclaimed Patty. "Mother don't allow me to tell what I hear folks say, 'cause she says it's telling tales out of school, and I'm sure, if you would only let me do your errands for you, I would never, never tell anybody what I heard."

"Humph!" muttered Miss Hunter, "your mother is more sensible than most people, and I guess," she continued, half musing, "that this little girl is just the one I want—she's big enough to do small errands, and Jake can do all the large ones—which isn't many—and," turning to Patty, "so you would be willing to take pay in salt, would you?"

"Oh, yes'm, indeed I would," she cried. "Will you—oh, will you let me, though?" and her eyes fairly danced at the prospect.

"Well, if mother is willing, and you will be sure to do your work in good shape—and you will have to watch sharp for the cloth which I hang out when I want you. Mind, it won't do for you to be off playing every time I want you, and you know, above all, you are to keep your own counsel. Can you do an errand for me this afternoon?"

"I suppose," faltered Patty, "I ought to ask mother first; but I know she will let me, and I will be right back," and suiting the action to her words, she sped away as fast as her feet could carry her.

Her mother was not at home, but in answer to Patty's breathless request, that she might go and do something for Miss Hunter, the dear old grandmother, half dozing in her chair, said yes, and Patty scampered back, scarcely able to contain herself, and thinking all the time how pleased her mother would be when she should hear that her little girl was actually "earning her own salt!"

Miss Hunter answered her knock, and handing her a covered basket, told her to take it to old Mrs. Brown, a poor, lame widow living at the end of a cross road, which ran between Patty's home and Miss Hunter's. "But mind," she added, "you're not to say anything about it to anybody," and Patty assented, carrying the basket as she was bidden.

It did not take her long to do her errand, and then as Miss Hunter said there was nothing else to do that day, she hurried home, eager to tell her mother the good news.

But she was doomed to disappointment. Her mother was indignant, and declared that Patty would not be allowed to do any such thing. "The ideal!" she exclaimed; "pay you in salt, indeed! No, she sha'n't, not if I know it."

But here the grandmother interposed.

"And why not let the child do as she wishes, Sophia? Did not thee say but yesterday that Patty was good for naught at home, and if she does as the old lady desires, she will not be doing mischief, and she surely can do no harm, and who knows," she added, "but the little one's innocent ways may have a good effect on the old woman?" And at length Mrs. Drake yielded, as she always did, sooner or later, to her mother's calm reasoning.

So Patty entered regularly upon her duties as errand boy. To be sure, she did not have very much to do for the old lady, but then she was doing something, and was no longer a useless being.

As time went on, there grew up a strange attachment between the old lady and Patty, and after a while it became quite an ordinary affair for Patty to stop at Miss Hunter's on her way home from school, even when the cloth was not hanging from the window, showing that there was an errand to be done. She delighted to step in and wash the dishes on a Saturday, and to help Miss Hunter dust the rooms on sweeping day.

People wondered much at it, but Patty, true to her word, kept "her own counsel," and did not tell what she often longed to have others know—oh! she did want so much, sometimes, to tell people that what they took for miserly actions, was only self-denying for the sake of others.

For Patty could have told of many a basket of needed things that went into the little cottage at the end of the lane. Many a time she had carried jellies and dainty dishes to the houses of sick poor people, but always with instructions that the receiver must tell no one whence they came. Miss Hunter told Patty, confidentially, that if the town people knew about it, they would send every beggar that came along, to her, and she despised beggars. Strange as it may seem, for once the village gossip was baffled; those who received favors from the old lady respected her whims and "kept their own counsel." True, some wag in the village jocosely remarked "that the old miser," pointing to Miss Hunter's house, "had grown so greedy that she sent a basket to collect the rent from some of her tenants," but no one knew the real facts in the case.

Patty might have told, too, about the weekly letter which she carried to the post office, containing money to pay the board of an old feeble-minded uncle in a distant, private hospital, simply because this same uncle had taken care of Miss Hunter when she was a little girl, and she had resolved that as long as she lived, he should not want for a single comfort. This had been her principal reason for the economy of the fortune left to her by the squire, which was far from being as large as people supposed.

Misjudged by others, the old lady kept on in her way, taking great comfort in her new-found friend, for such Patty proved to be; while Patty, on her part, began to love the one who denied herself luxuries for the sake of others.

The summer wore away, and winter came on cold and severe. Patty's father met with several losses in succession. First, the barn was burned; then his best two cows died of a prevalent disease, and things began to look unusually discouraging. The interest on the mortgage would also soon be due again.

Mrs. Drake complained bitterly of their "poor luck," and Patty, young as she was, shared the feeling of gloom that hung over them, for they feared that they should be obliged to part with their home.

One morning, as Patty was starting to school, her father called her to him. "Are you going to stop at Miss Hunter's?" he asked.

"No, sir, but I'd just as soon—I shall have time enough."

"Well, I wish you would take this letter to her," and he added, "you might stop on your way home for an answer."

Patty took the letter and carried it as she was bidden, wondering much what it could be about, for her father did not often write a letter. What could he be writing to Miss Hunter for—was it something about her?

All day long her mind kept reverting to the letter, and she could hardly wait for school to be dismissed, so anxious was she to see Miss Hunter, in hopes that she might find out something about it.

When Miss Hunter opened the letter Patty left that morning, and read it, she found a very few simple words, stating that the writer, George Drake, having met with severe losses, would be unable to pay the interest on the mortgage which was held by her, and asking for time in which to obtain the necessary money.

Although the day seemed very long to Patty, school at length came to a close, and she hastened as fast as possible to the old lady's house.

Miss Hunter answered her knock and invited her to come in, and as it was very cold, insisted that Patty should sit down by the fire and warm herself. For a little while they sat in silence, and then the old lady said:

"Patty, do you remember the day you came and asked me to let you do my errands?"

"Yes'm."

"Have you forgotten what you told me you wanted for pay?"

"No'm."

"Why haven't you ever asked me for your pay?"

"Because I thought you would give it to me when you wanted to."

"Well, I've been thinking today," replied the old lady, "that it is about time you've received some of your wages. You have been a good girl, and have earned your salt well." So saying, she handed Patty a tin pail which she said was full of salt.

"Be careful not to spill any, and be sure you bring back the pail, as I can not spare it long," she admonished.

"Thank you ever so much," exclaimed Patty, thinking how pleased her mother would be when she should show her that she had really earned something.

"Oh," suddenly remembering her errand, "I was to call for an answer to the letter I left this morning."

"Never mind the answer tonight," replied Miss Hunter.

It seemed to Patty that the old lady had a beautiful expression on her face that she had never seen before, as she bade her good-night.

She hurried home with her pail of salt, feeling very happy at the thought that it was all her own. But Mrs. Drake shared no such feeling; her indignation began, as usual, to rise, and it was an effort for her to control herself and keep from saying harsh things, which would have spoiled all of Patty's pleasure. What was a little pail full of salt compared with what Patty had done, and the tears sprang to her eyes. "And she even wants you to bring back the pail, does she, the sting—" But a look from Patty made her pause. "Well, no matter, I'll empty

it right away, and you can carry the pail back tomorrow morning. We are almost out of salt, anyway—that's one comfort."

So saying, she carried the salt into the pantry.

In a moment they heard her utter an exclamation of surprise. "Mother! Patty!" she called. "Come here quick!"

They hurried into the pantry to see what could be the matter, and Mr. Drake, who was just bringing in the milk, joined them.

On the table was a pan into which Mrs. Drake had just poured the salt. But what was that glittering here and there in the pan? Gold; yes, gold coins—eagles, half eagles, a number of smaller coins, all bright and shining, as though happy at the thought of the good they might do. And in an envelope was a gift of the mortgage on the house, presented to Patty Drake, from her friend, Adeline Hunter, with these words:

"You have earned your salt."—W. L. Colby in Wide-Awake.

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to "miss";
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I'd like to play ball in the schoolyard a while
With that rubber ball I could bat half a mile.

I'd like to see Mamie, the sweetheart I had
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night"
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I'd like to go back! 'Tis the cry of the heart;
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Seem rosy as thought of when we have passed
on.

The kind words said to us and those which we
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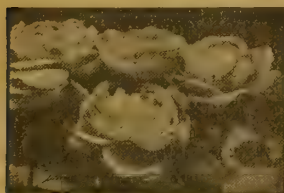
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AWARD OF PRIZES IN THE FLORAL CONTEST

It was in our November number that this contest was announced, to end December 15th. And our contest editor has simply been overwhelmed with the great number of replies received, so many, many of them giving the actual experience of their writers in a way to make them of very great value to our readers, for we will publish selections from them in future issues. And it has been very difficult to pick out the winners, as hundreds of them appear to be about equal in merit. However, keeping in mind "the real helpfulness of the answers," the prizes have been awarded to the following:

NAMES OF PRIZE WINNERS

First Prize, \$5.00 Cash—To Mrs. Pattie M. Sims, R. R. 4, Beaver Dam, Virginia.

Second Prize, \$3.00 Cash—To Mrs. R. E. Blanke, 36 Katz Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey.

Third Prize, \$2.00 Cash—To Mrs. John Lowery, Fredonia, Kentucky.

a foot and a half square and a foot and a half deep and put a half gallon of chicken manure in the bottom, and get woods dirt from under oak trees, where the leaves have rotted, and mix it about half and half with the garden soil, and fill up the holes with it and press it down.

When my roses come I get a pan of fresh water and put them in, pressing the tops and roots under, and set in a dark place for a few hours, then take them out and trim off the bruised leaves and set them out and shade them from the sun for three or four days and water them whenever they need it.

I never lose a plant and they generally grow over two feet tall the first year, and I have had a few plants to grow three feet the first year. I use tobacco dust, sprinkled over the leaves while they are wet with dew, to prevent insects from injuring the buds, and I get powdered sulphur and put it in a thin bag and dust it over the plants to prevent the blight and black spot. I have twenty-four different kinds of ever-blooming roses and expect to plant

forty or fifty more next spring.—Mrs. Pattie M. Sims, R. R. 4, Beaver Dam, Virginia.

(Second Prize Floral Answer) Ferns

Three years ago I collected subscriptions for The Household Journal and received an assortment of ferns as premium. All are doing fine, and although I have good luck with flowers, I derive the greatest pleasure from my ferns. Of the five different specimens, it is especially the Boston Fountain fern which I cannot praise too highly. The one-leaved plant which I received has now over a hundred leaves, and ninety of these are from fifty to seventy-five inches long. Every frond, even the longest, is still growing. The plant certainly does honor to its



Boston Fountain Fern

This plant has over a hundred fronds or leaves, ninety of them from four to six feet long. When it had only one tiny leaf it was given in The Household Journal collection of four ferns given as a premium for sending a club of five trial subscribers.

The rose leads all others as the favorite, yet there is a surprisingly large number whose first choice is the dahlia, or sweet peas, or pansies. In fact, all flowers seem to get in the list of "favorites," as even the sunflower is so classed by an enthusiastic admirer.

All flower lovers will be helped by reading the actual experiences of others, to be published from time to time on our floral pages.

(First Prize Floral Answer)

Roses

I have had best success growing roses, and like the one-year-old plants best, and from my experience they do better set in the spring, any time after the first of April until the fifteenth of May. I order my plants in March, and while I am waiting for them to come I begin preparing the ground to set them out. My rose garden is a rich, well-drained, level piece of ground, with almost no shade and free from tree roots. I spade out holes about

name, Fountain fern, for it is a veritable fountain of lovely green fronds.

When potting, I first put in a layer of small stones, then some charcoal, and fill up with rich soil I gather in the woods or from the humus heap, mixed with one-third sand and one-third decayed cow manure.

Ferns do not do well outside, for they cannot stand the wind. In two years mine have never been outside, except on quiet, rainy days to get a bath. I never put them in direct sunlight, and water only when the top soil feels dry to my touch, and then give water until it runs out at the bottom. Once a month I give very weak ammonia water, also water from washing fowl or meat.

Every year when transplanting my ferns I remove small plants, which I raise and sell to friends. I get two dollars for a nice plant. Enclosed you will find a photo of one of my ferns.—Mrs. R. E. Blanke, 36-38 Katz Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey.

(Third Prize Floral Answer)
Chrysanthemum for Mine

Three years ago last April I had a bed dug two feet deep, six feet wide and eighteen feet long on the south side of the house, where it had only morning sun. A litter of chips for drainage was first. Then it was filled with woods dirt and sand. I bought five fine mums—dark red, cream, white, lavender and yellow. I planted them well down in the soil.

In winter, for protection, I mulch just a little rotten manure from the cow barn, and cover that with tobacco stalks. Through the summer I leave it all to enrich and keep them damp, which is essential. I keep the earth good and loose around them. I water morning and evening, sprinkling thoroughly. On wash days I pour the suds around them, giving them one good, rich drink a week. I grow them erect by driving a stake by each one, and tie them to it as they grow.

When they begin to bud, I pinch the little buds from the stem. That gives the two or three I leave in the top all the strength, and of course that makes larger flowers.

My chrysanthemums are gorgeous, and immense. I cover with quilts on frosty nights. In so doing I have flowers for Thanksgiving and Christmas. I gathered my first blooms the last of September. I have some now (early December) measuring eleven inches around and five inches across. If any one has any finer chrysanthemums outdoors, please tell us how it's done.—Mrs. John Lowery, Fredonia, Kentucky.

TUBEROUS-ROOTED BEGONIAS.

My greatest success the last year has been with tuberous-rooted begonias. My bulbs were kept in a box in the pantry, and some time in March, as they started to grow, were planted in seven and eight inch unglazed pots. The soil was taken from under an apple tree near the house and was not especially rich. A large handful of sharp sand was added to each pot and hardwood coals put in the bottom for drainage, and a teaspoonful of jadoo fiber was placed under each bulb.

They were left in a chamber until three or four leaves had started, and then put in an easterly window. About once in six weeks they were enriched by strong water from barn manure. The last of June or the first of July blooming had commenced. I wish I could tell you how magnificent they were. Many blossoms were so double that the petals were crowded and three and a half inches across, and the plants were a mass of color. I had pink, scarlet, rose and yellow and a single fringed white. Many of the white blossoms were larger than the double, and sometimes as many as twenty on the plant at one time. The plants branched freely and the tallest one was about twenty-two inches in height, and continued to bloom until November. The blossoms were so numerous and heavy that each plant had to be tied to a support.—Mrs. J. E. Davis, Sherburne, Vermont.

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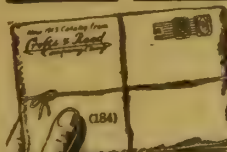
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bunches, averaging forty and fifty to a bunch, and had half a cup of nice ripe seed. They have to be planted in the rear of the garden, so as not to obstruct the view, as they grow above the wire and are thick, making a good hedge.—Miss Mary E. Edwards, Maine.

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Every one who sees these pansies admires them, and they tell me pansies are so hard to grow, but they are as easy as any plant to grow.—Anna Middleton, Nebraska.

MY DAHLIAS.

I have been quite successful in my cultivation of the dahlia, and will attempt to describe the method followed. Dahlias

require very rich soil, good drainage and plenty of water. Some authorities claim that dahlias will do better if only one tuber is placed in a "hole." But experience has taught me that I will succeed better by putting three or even four tubers in a hole.

I say "hole," because I do not "hill" them up as some people do, but leave the surface level, as the water will not then run off so readily.

The soil must not be allowed to become packed, but should be kept loose by hoeing. If the summer is hot and dry the plants should be watered freely. When the plant is about a foot and a half high the top should be pinched out. This causes it to branch out and many more blooms will be the result. Any one wishing early blooms can get them by starting the tubers in large jars early in the spring, and keeping them in the house until the severe frosts of spring are past, when they can be put into the ground.—Mrs. Mary M. Lloyd, New York.

BRIGHT GERANIUMS.

The geraniums are my flowers to praise, with their emerald leaves and clusters of the gayest of gay-colored flowers. I had always wanted a few house flowers, but thought myself too busy to get them, but one day, seeing an attractive advertisement of four geraniums, I sent for same. When they arrived late one fall, I placed them in warm water for a day. Having melted the tops off of four old tin cans and punching a few holes in the bottom and placing oyster shells over the same, I went to the pound, and just where the barn eaves drip I filled the cans with that dirt, then set the geraniums and gave them a good soaking. In a few days they looked fine. All through the winter I kept the ground watered as soon as I saw it was dry on top. As we had no warm room in which to keep them at night during the winter, I put them in a box with a lid and set a lighted lantern inside, then threw a quilt over all. They came through the winter fine. About the middle of May, after danger of frost had passed, I set them at the end of corn rows at the front of the house, with a bucket of hog-pen manure, well-rotted, at their feet. My husband cultivated them when he did his corn. My, how they grew! They were larger than bushel baskets and covered with dozens upon dozens of clusters of bloom. There was a white one, a cherry, a salmon and a pink. In July I took two slips from each to keep through the winter, and as luck would have it, they all lived. Since then I have always had a few geraniums, although I now raise nearly all kinds of annuals in my new garden.—Salome Somers, Maryland.

PRETTY PINKS.

In answering your question in the November Journal, I would like to say that I have had such grand success with pinks this year that I would like to let your readers know how I have grown them. In January I began working on the bed where I wanted to plant Chinese pinks. I worked in some pulverized fertilizer from the cow lot. Every week until the first of April I worked in the bed until every bit of the soil was thoroughly pulverized. The bed is on the south side of the house, which is a hungalow, so the plants are well protected from the north winds. I planted the seed the first of April, and at the end of three weeks I transplanted some, rather thinned them out. After they were several weeks old

I began to pinch out the buds, or tops. This caused them to stool out and they made beautiful plants. I had to water them freely during the hot summer months, but they have more than repaid me for all my trouble. I have about fifty or seventy-five blooming plants now and every one a perfect beauty. Some blossoms are larger than a silver dollar and as double as carnations. In fact, they are more gorgeous than my carnations, but of course they are not so fragrant. I have all colors imaginable. I am extremely proud of them and every one who sees them admires them. I keep the ground around them stirred and have at intervals during the year sprinkled a little lime into the soil, but have been careful not to use much. The plants have entirely covered the ground now, and every morning I find a new combination of colors among the newly opened blossoms.—Mrs. M. E. Sanders, Texas.

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Tubers planted May 1st began blooming the last of June and continued until frost. Some plants attained a height of eight feet. Hundreds of blossoms had been cut from each. One plant of the pompon variety made a record of more than a thousand perfect blooms. Clumps of tubers are lifted intact in the fall and stored where they will not freeze. Cut apart carefully in the spring, being sure that each tuber has an "eye," which can be seen near the stalk. Plant one tuber in each hill.—Mrs. Chas. A. Smith, Colorado.

THE ROSE A FAVORITE.

I have had the best success growing roses. I have seventy-five in my rose garden, most of which I bought for ten cents of Ella V. Baines, Springfield, Ohio. I read this advertisement in The Household Journal and find the roses to be all that they are represented.

I have roses blooming in my yard the year round. I gathered three dozen blooms off a Marechal Niel on the twenty-fifth of November. The running Pink Killarney, which I would like to give special mention, as having great success growing, cost only ten cents, and is now two years old. I have recently gathered buds from it that measured two inches long. I received the first prize at the Alabama State Fair on my roses.

I find clay the best soil in which to grow roses. I plant the young roses out in the yard and keep them shaded and well moist for the first few days, until the bush is stronger. I then keep the ground loose around the roots by having it dug once a month. This keeps it moist enough. I give them very little water, as much water would burn them up, as the summers are very warm here. In the fall I have the roots well dug around and then cover them with leaves for the winter.—Mrs. A. C. Jernigan, Alabama.



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Begonia Drooping Leaves—Sarah E. Hunt,
Pennsylvania—As there are two or three in-
quiries answered in this issue relative to the
care of begonias, and as the information given
practically covers the winter care of the plants,
the writer wishes to refer you to them. If you
have been following the general rules given,
there must be some outside reason for the plants
failing to do well, and in this event the writer
would suggest that you write fully concerning
such care as has been given the plant and which
has not been in accordance with the rules men-
tioned, and from such a report a probable diag-
nosis of the real trouble may be made.

Gardenia Jasminoides (Cape Jasmine)—Mag-
gie E. Waggoner, West Virginia—Your report
on the cape jasmine does not indicate anything
the matter with the plant at all. You must not
expect the plant to bloom before the change of
the season, as it is against the nature of the
plant to be forced into bloom in the winter.
Remember, it comes from the warm parts of
our country. With the change of season, which
will come next month, the plant can be brought
into bloom by keeping in the sunny window
and syringing with tepid water. The soil used
should be a good, rich, sandy loam. After the
plant has flowered it should be pinched back
for a good bushy summer growth. In August or
September they can be taken up, hardened, and
as the buds set in the summer they are ready
for winter quarters, from where they can be
taken when forcing time arrives.

Geraniums—Mrs. W. H. Lounsbury, Connect-
icut—When the leaves become discolored on
plants which are kept indoors in the winter
time, or the leaves become spotted, and the
plants in a general way appear sickly and
weak, nine times out of ten it is from one rea-
son—and that is, the plants have been over-
watered. The geraniums do better indoors with
the soil kept on the dry side, as compared to
being soggy. Any ordinary garden soil is all
that is needed, and without manure or ferti-
lizer of any kind added. With plenty of light
and a comparatively cool temperature the plants
should do well. The geranium will admit of
rather rough handling, and you can remove the
affected leaves, trim the plants and repot them
at any time during the winter, as conditions
demand it.

Hardy Shrubs—Mrs. Wm. Hambrick, Ken-
tucky—You will not be able to buy seed of the
hardy perennial phlox, Boule de Feu. While
you can buy seed of the hardy perennial phlox,
it generally comes in mixed colors, the same as
the annual phlox. If, in looking for the seed,
your idea was to save expense over the plant-
ing of plants, we would suggest that you buy
the small mailing-size shrubs, which you can
get from any of the large catalogue houses at a
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take hold better than large ones. The coming
issues of the magazines will give you plenty of
addresses of catalogue florists, and a direct in-
quiry to one or two of them will enable you to
get anything in the line of little shrubs or seed
of the annual or perennial p. lox, as well as the
other plants which you mention you would like
to have.

Chrysanthemums from Cuttings—Mrs. H. B.
Harris, Iowa—The plants which have just flow-
ered can be cut back to stubs, and if set in
boxes of ordinary garden soil and with regular
waterings, the plants will soon produce new

young shoots. After they are three or four
inches high they can be cut off and made into
cuttings two and one-half to three inches long,
the leaves tipped and the base cleanly cut.
These cuttings planted in small boxes of clean
sand, kept moist and shaded from the strong
sunlight, will readily root in a few weeks. Al-
low them to form plenty of roots, after which
they can be potted into small pots and grown
on. There is no particular hurry about root-
ing the cuttings. The old flowering stubs, roots
or clumps can be kept in the cellar in boxes of
soil until February, and started at this time
should produce rooted cuttings for potting in
April or May, which is really about the best
time to start to propagate them for another
growing season.

Begonia, Argentina Gutatta—Mrs. J. Beavers,
Nebraska—It is a time when this department
received many inquiries relative to poor con-
ditions of begonias, due to failure to keep the
plants warm enough. As soon as one neglects
good treatment, especially in regard to light,
fresh air, conditions of soil, etc., the red
spider and a dreaded fungus disease natural to
the begonia soon attacks them and gives them
a sickly and stunted appearance. The plants
require a temperature of from 55 to 60 degrees
at night and 65 to 70 in the daytime. The soil
should be three parts good loam, one part well-
rotted manure and one part sand. While the
plants are injured by strong sunshine during the
summer, they require all the sunshine they can
get in the winter; however, strong sunshine
through imperfect glass upon wet foliage is apt
to blister the leaves. The variety Argentina is
of easy growth and the above general rules ap-
plied should bring the plant all right. You can
cut it back to a mere stub and by keeping it
in a temperature not lower than given above it
will come out all right.

Hibiscus—Mrs. Amos Crane, New York—The
hibiscus is naturally of such strong growth that
it is easily treated for plant enemies and dis-
eases. Being a plant of warm climates, it re-
quires comparatively warm temperature in the
winter and the soil not overwatered. With soil
kept on the dry side mere stubs of a plant can
be carried through the winter, and after grow-
ing time the plants will admit of trimming in
most any way, but at this time of the year it
would probably be better to treat the plant
rather than to trim it to exceed one-fourth of
its growth. If the insects bother the plant, the
writer would suggest a good washing with
strong suds of Ivory soap, and in the general
weakened condition of the plant, a repotting
in new soil and trimming of the tips of its
branches would help. The soil should then be
kept rather on the dry side and the plant in a
warm temperature and plenty of light, although
not necessarily strong sunlight. Your failure
to state the size of the plant makes it a little
difficult to advise as intelligently concerning the
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Heliotrope Leaves Discolored—Miss Caroline
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sulting in chilling of the plants at times when
they are wet. Heliotrope is extremely tender,
and unless kept in a semi-dormant condition,
will not look well unless the growth through-
out the winter, in a way, is forced. This would
require what might be termed enforced summer
conditions; that is, fairly warm temperature
and plenty of moisture. Reverse conditions
would not be so bad, but the trouble generally
lies in the temperature dropping when the water
is applied in the usual way. Plants cannot
stand continual watering if they are not grow-
ing. This is probably the trouble with the
impatiens also.

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rule they need very little care, requiring prac-
tically no attention, and giving good results
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their growth. Bulbs as a rule should be given
time enough to form a root growth before
forced into foliage and flower; otherwise, there
will be nothing to sustain nourishment or pro-
duce bloom. There is nothing to suggest but
try again.

(3) **Primroses**—The winter months cover the
flowering time for primroses, and it would be
well to repot the plants at this time and induce
a new growth, which would soon bring on an-
other flowering period. The time to rest the
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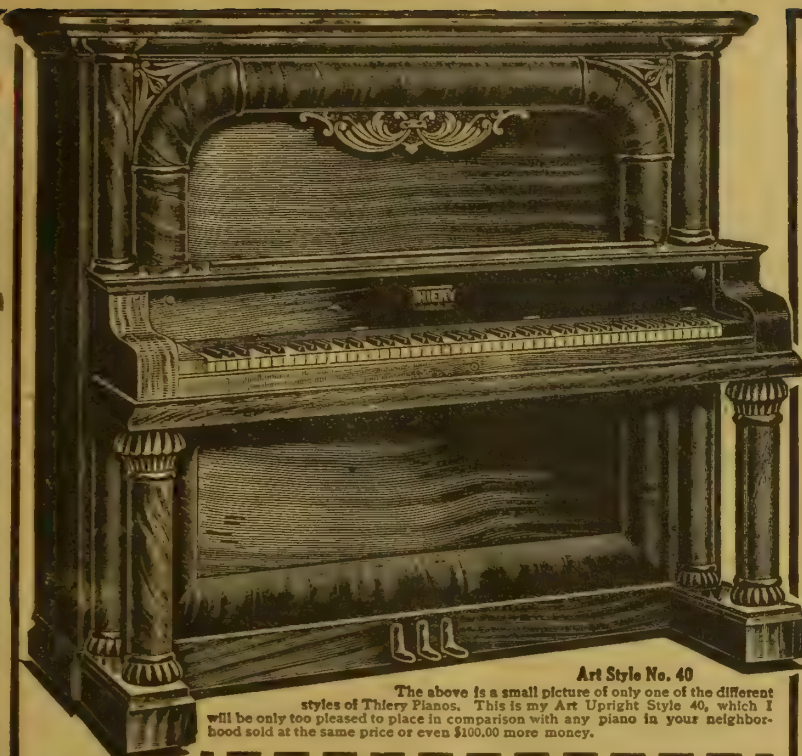
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PLANNING AND PLANTING THE HOME VEGETABLE GARDEN

By ADOLPH KRUEHM, Seedsman and Gardener

No doubt you have often "planned" to have a garden "next" spring. But that is, perhaps, as far as you ever got with your gardening plans. When the time comes for digging, invariably something else turns up and the garden again becomes a dream of the future instead of a dream realized. Five years ago I first began to preach how a small garden might help effectively to reduce the high cost of living. At that time my advice was directed particularly to the suburbanites and city dwellers, who should utilize the back yard for gardening. My advice today holds good also for country folks, who, if they would maintain a properly managed vegetable garden, would have to eat fewer

but about that later. First, let me call your attention to real helpers, which you have, to aid you in planning your garden.

These are the seed catalogues, quite a number of which have no doubt reached you by now. If you did not get any as yet, write today for all you see offered in this number of The Household Journal. All will help with useful hints and practical suggestions.

Make up your mind what kind of vegetables you want to plant in your garden. Lay out (on your plan) so many rows for radishes, lettuce, spinach, onion sets, etc. Lay out more rows for beans, peas and corn. Reserve space for tomatoes, pepper and egg plants, cabbages, turnips and beets. But always lay out your plan in rows, for it is not only easier to plant a garden in rows, but the subsequent care and attention is also easier.

Two things you should keep in mind above all others when planning the garden: Watch that you plan for a proper succession of vegetables and be sure to select the proper sorts of vegetables for the different seasons. It's utterly foolish to attempt to plant the garden at one operation in the spring. So many complications would arise that the garden would only be half a success. Plan your garden so that fresh vegetables are maturing in it right along, from the middle of May till the end of September. Fortunately the seed catalogues offer many suggestions as to how this may be accomplished. In the first place, after your seed order is written, and the seeds arrive, sort all varieties into classes as follows:

I. Hardy Vegetables. By these I mean sorts that may be planted almost as soon in the spring as the ground becomes fit to be dug. Among these belong radishes, lettuce, carrots, smooth-seeded peas, onion sets and spinach.

II. Half-Hardy Vegetables. Among these belong bush beans, early sweet corn, wrinkled peas, parsnips and salsify. None of these should be sown while the ground is still cold and wet, as the seeds are apt to rot.

III. Tender Vegetables, foremost among which are tomatoes, peppers, egg plants, with cucumbers, squashes and melons as sorts of lesser importance. In connection with the last three let me state right here that they should not be grown in gardens which are smaller than 50 by 100 feet. They take up too much space in proportion to their usefulness.

Having sorted all these vegetables into three different classes, the next important step is to mark out rows on your plan in which to plant them. You might as well divide your garden into three parts and devote a part to each class as you go along.



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Five years have seen little or no change in connection with prices for vegetables. Their scarcity has become even more pronounced, prices climb higher and higher, and the benefits which one may derive from even a small garden have multiplied many fold. With these "reasons why" in mind get busy and plan to have a garden this coming spring sure. The right way to start is to get a sheet of paper and a pencil right now. If you live in the city, your boundaries are easily fixed. Draw your fences around your yard in form of lines. Should you live in the country, select a rich piece of ground, conveniently located to the house and draw a plan of it, with imaginary lines around.

Now for help! What will you "stick" between these boundary lines? Why, simply rows of vegetables, and be sure to plan your garden in long rows, because—

All the vegetables in class one, with the exception of peas, make a relatively small top growth. They can, therefore, be planted close together, with say 12 or 18 inches between the rows. If you are not too "cramped" for space, it is better to plant all these at least 18 inches apart, since it will be easier to tend and cultivate them afterwards. Plan all the rows for class two about two feet apart, and even two and one-half feet are not too much between bush beans, sweet corn and second early peas. All the vegetables in class three, with the exception of "vining" kinds, should have at least two and one-half to three feet each way between the plants.

Another thing about this planning of the garden: Be sure to reserve space for vegetables that are planted later in the season. It is true that there will be some rows available in which have been grown some of the extra early vegetables of class one. But I have never as yet seen the garden that would offer sufficient space at the crucial time, to plant enough



Decoration Day is Usually the Time for Setting Out Tomato Plants

turnips, summer radishes, celery and late cabbages.

When your plans have matured so far that you can see your garden before you on paper and you have the seeds at your elbow, properly sorted into three classes as suggested above, there is still another thing to do, and that is to study the adaptability of the different sorts of vegetables to the different seasons of the year. Don't attempt to sow May King lettuce or Rosy Gem radishes in June. The crop will disappoint you. Don't plant Pole Limas in July, because they will not mature before frost. Don't plant summer radishes or winter turnips in the spring or expect good results from spinach seed sown during July or August.

Refer to the seed catalogues in connection with each sort, about the season of which you are in doubt. After you have put in a few profitable hours, studying all these things, you may well set back and wait—wait until frost makes room for warmth and sunshine so that you may get the soil in readiness for the fertile seeds.

And now I come to the gardener's greatest joy: Sowing the seeds. Keep in mind all that has been said above in connection with the different classes and it should not be very hard to plant the garden intelligently. Select for your earliest outdoor operation that piece of your garden that lies highest, is driest, and, as a

result, warmest. Oftentimes this is a spot that is just a little sandier than the rest and I have found that, no matter how small the garden is, some portion is always ready sooner for the gardener's spade than the rest.

Dig the ground deeply and, if you can get it, put lots of manure into it. Then rake carefully, until the soil is in very fine condition and perfectly level. Then get busy sowing seeds. Such early vegetables as radishes, lettuce, spinach, etc., may be sown almost as soon as the frost is out of the ground, and the soil can be dug and raked properly. In the latitude of central Ohio this is by about April 10th, often sooner. Usually by May 10th it is perfectly safe to sow less hardy vegetables like wrinkled peas, beans, extra early sweet corn, etc. Finally, by about the last week in May, such tender vegetables as cucumbers, melons and squashes may be sown. Decoration Day is usually the "official" day for setting out tomato, pepper and egg plants.

In connection with the last three vegetables, let me warn you not to be in too big a hurry. It takes a tomato plant longer to recover from a shock of a frosty night than it takes for a newly set plant to take root and make a quick growth from the start. Lay out your rows, just as you have them on your plan, making the deeper ones with a wheel-hoe or "firefly" and the ones for small seeds with the handle of the hoe or rake. Be sure to get your rows straight, and it will help a great deal toward making cultivation easy. Mark each row with a wooden "label," as shown in the picture. Put name of variety and date of planting on this label, which serves as a record.

One of the most serious questions confronting amateur gardeners is "How deep should the different seeds be planted?" A broad rule to guide you is to plant all kinds of vegetable seeds to a depth of twice their own thickness. For instance, radish seeds measure about one-sixteenth of an inch in diameter. Cover them with one-eighth of an inch of soil and you'll make sure of a good stand.

In most cases it is sufficient to just push enough soil on the seeds to prevent the wind from blowing them away or the birds from eating them. Beans, peas and corn are an exception to this rule. Seeds of these should be sown three to four inches deep in light, sandy soil and two to three inches deep in heavy or clay soil. As the season progresses and the soil dries out to considerable depth, all seeds should be planted deeper.

In all cases and seasons it pays to press the soil in firm contact with the seeds after sowing. Take the back of your hoe or a board and press the soil firmly over the row.

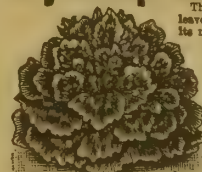
After the garden is planted, make up your mind to keep records. Only in that way will you be able to remember the lessons which the garden teaches, and benefit by them the following year. Mark down when you planted the different sorts, when they first bore fruits, when the vegetables became of eatable size and when the row stopped bearing. In the

case of root crops, like radishes, beets, carrots, etc., mark how long the roots were in good condition for table use. Make notes which sort of tomatoes bore the most fruit, which was the earliest and which bore fruit longest.

And while the question of different vegetables is up, let me suggest that you never confine yourself to just one particular sort in each class of vegetables, but that you plant several kinds. Only in that way can you find out which will give the best yields under specific soil and weather conditions.

So get busy and plan your garden and order your seeds, and next month I will tell you how to take care of the garden planned according to my suggestions and planted with the best of care.

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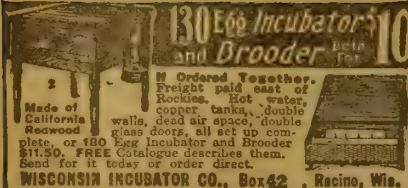


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Poultry Notes

Come, Mrs. Hen, get busy,
Don't wait so long this fall,
To get yourself a-going,
And sound your welcome call.
Start in before Thanksgiving,
Don't dawdle through the year,
No time to take vacation
When new-laid eggs are dear.

Say, Mr. Man, you tire me,
Get busy once yourself.
You think I'm going to hustle
While you sleep on the shelf?
Come—fit me up a parlor
And set a table rare
And then I'll think it over,
And possibly get there.

CHICKS AND LICE.

The greatest enemy of the chick, and that which causes more loss than any other one cause, is chilling; the second enemy in importance because of amount of loss is lice; both lice and chilling are the indirect cause of bowel trouble because both sap the vitality and life of the chick, making it impossible for the fellow to resist the organisms of disease which are always ready to attack it.

Dusting the setting hen helps, but some lice are quite sure to escape and can later be found on the head of the chick; rub a little dab of lard on top of the chick's head, getting it into the down thoroughly, and you will get these; repeat the dose in a week and if the hen is furnished a good dusting place, the lice are not likely to give any more trouble; but whenever you see a chick that seems unhappy, eyes closed, droopy, look for lice.

The brood coops should be thoroughly sprayed before using with some coal-tar preparation, sheep dip, whitewash, or a mixture of four parts coal oil and one part crude carbolic acid; it pays to be ahead, and that explains why so few of us are making anything on our poultry; we neglect these little things; because of neglect disease gets the start of us, we become discouraged because of the losses and give up and blame our luck, when all the bad luck might have been prevented by a little careful preparation.

Give the chicks a clean place, all the heat they can stand, keep them free of vermin, and you can safely count them before they are raised.—W. E. Vaplon, Poultryman, Colorado Agricultural College.

MAKE PROFIT FROM CHICKENS.

Specialized poultry farms are becoming more numerous each year. In many cases these are paying good returns on the money invested, but their effect on the supply of eggs and dressed poultry for our large markets is but as a drop in the ocean. It is for the small flocks of 50 to 300 fowls kept upon the farms as a side line that we must depend for our supply of poultry products in the future as in the past, says Prof. P. G. Holden in the Farm and Home Poultry Annual. No other branch of agriculture is represented on so many farms. The census for 1910 shows that 88 per cent of all farms reported keeping poultry.

In no case can the business be made so profitable as where it is conducted as a side line of general farming. It is possible to allow chickens to range through many crops that are grown on the farm without damage to the crops, and by such practice secure double returns from the same piece of land.

Orchards or corn fields are ideal for this purpose and the presence of the

chickens in them is beneficial rather than detrimental, as they will destroy large numbers of insects injurious to the crops. The movable colony house which is rapidly coming into general use on the farm makes it possible to scatter the chickens out over the fields.

This method is especially valuable for handling the young stock, as it gives freedom to the birds. The result will be stronger, more vigorous birds. By moving the house close to the fields where small grains have been harvested, the birds are able to turn into profitable gains the shelled grain and scattered heads which remain on the field.

BEST POULTRY TONICS.

Fresh air, sunshine and exercise are the best poultry tonics. But fresh air does not mean drafts in the houses, nor does sunshine call for exposure to hot suns during the summer. The houses should be so constructed that fresh air can constantly be present to drive out bad odors and purify the atmosphere. The sunshine should be able to reach every corner to destroy any germs that might be lurking in dampness. The fowls should exercise by scratching that a good circulation of the blood may be stimulated. The above are the three best medicines in the poultry doctor's art.

ALFALFA FOR POULTRY YARDS.

Alfalfa is one of the best plants to furnish green food for chickens, but ordinarily it soon kills out if overpastured.

Alfalfa crowns that have been cut off and plowed under and that have taken root again, are much harder to kill out, as many have found by repeatedly grubbing out the same stool that has taken root the second time. Such crowns seem to put out shoots from each piece of root that is left in the ground, if the soil is in favorable condition.

Those who desire to establish alfalfa in their poultry yards can succeed in this way by plowing or spading under alfalfa crowns that have been freshly plowed out from some field near by. Early in the spring is the best time, while the crowns are still dormant. The crowns should be covered four to six inches deep, and the soil wet down and kept moist and the chickens kept off until the crowns have become established, which will be much sooner than by alfalfa seeding, and will stand much harder pasture.—Philo K. Blinn, Colorado Experiment Station, Rocky Ford, Colo.

FORCING BY CRAMMING.

It is not the amount of food eaten, but that portion which is digested, that gives increase of carcass, and the cramming process can only be practised at a loss of food and labor. The better plan is to confine the fowls in coops and induce them to eat as much as possible by varying the food often and having it in a desirable state. Forcing or cramming the fowls can only be profitably practised where labor is very cheap.

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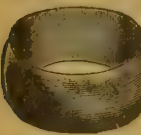
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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

We very much regret to announce to our many Sunshine readers that Mrs. Cherry is compelled to give up her editorial work in this department, at least for a while, on account of failing health. So faithfully has she looked after all the details in helping shut-in friends and directing Sunshine work, that the strain has been too great and she is on the verge of serious nervous ailment. She hopes to regain her strength with relief from the work for a few months, and then to resume the task.

For the present all correspondence relating to this department should be addressed to "Household Journal, Sunshine Corner, Springfield, Ohio."

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

It must be understood that no letters of appeal will receive our attention unless a very good reference is written by your doctor or minister or some merchant, having their letter heading of business. We are receiving all kinds of letters asking for help. We cannot help such cases and hope that this will be enough said. When we see a worthy case, the party a shut-in, we are glad to do what we can, but we have a large list of shut-ins now and cannot take any more on the list, unless their case is an extraordinary one and the case made clear before us. The reference must state plainly the name of affliction, how worthy, and state conditions financially. Some people think our society is made out of money. The only income we have is from the sale of mends and the flat-iron, and we cannot furnish a home for any one, as some seem to think that is what we are doing. All letters without a well-written reference, as stated above, will find its way into the waste basket.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

We asked in our September number for all Sunshiners to let us know if you still wanted your name on the roll. We asked for answers by the first of October, but we feel sure many have not read the notice. We have enrolled almost 600, so we are giving the ones who did not reply a chance now. Please send

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Miss Almira Patterson, Middleton, Orange County, N. Y., State Hospital, is a shut-in. She asks for cheer. She is very fond of sweets. Thanks all for past favors.

Mrs. Bessie Martin, 470 Miami Avenue, Marshall, Mo., would be glad to get scraps of silk and ribbon for a quilt. She has five children, and does all she can to get along.

Mrs. Carrie Mead, of Waupaca, Wis., has been an invalid for thirty-four years. She is physically unable to help herself and is in need. Will appreciate help and also words of cheer.

Our pleasant shut-in friend, Fred S. McKittrick, R. R. 1, Toney Creek, S. C., would like to receive letters, post cards, stationery and stamps on his twenty-third birthday, January 28th.

Little Lulu Moore, care of Frank Moore, Cornwall-on-Hudson, Orange County, N. Y., is eleven years old and motherless. She keeps house for her father. Any gifts which girls love would be acceptable.

Mr. L. B. Tinsley, 1645 Washington Avenue,

Huntington, W. Va., asked for cheer for Christmas, but the letter came too late. Mr. Tinsley sits in a wheel-chair. He is paralyzed from the waist down. He has a wife and son. No doubt a silver offering would mean much to them.

The name of Miss Floy Walton, Holt, Mo., was sent in by a friend signed Mrs. A. G. If this friend would send a reference, more could be done for the young shut-in. The young girl is fifteen years old, and crippled from rheumatism and spinal trouble.

Mrs. Sadie Risley, Piedmont, N. H., has been a shut-in for thirty-five years. Confined to her bed twenty-five years. She has all kinds of fancy work for sale. Does shell work, neckwear, hand bags, ribbon flowers and other things. Send stamp for prices.

To the shut-ins who wish to sell their fancy work, we refer you to a Sunshine Exchange, 917 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City, N. J. This is under the auspices of Mrs. Leon Sutton, Sunshine Organizer. Here goods of every description will be received, at 10 per cent commission to shut-ins and 20 per cent to those who are able to earn their living in other ways and wish to sell some of their fancy work. Be sure to send a stamped addressed envelope for receipt when goods are received.

Miss Julia Bennett, 56 Catherine Street, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., is one of our shut-ins who is very worthy. She was a music teacher, but has been a helpless cripple for some years, result of a fall, injuring her knee. She has to keep it in a cast all the time. She tries to support herself and mother by sewing, and taking subscriptions for magazines. She has very pretty and stylish bows for sale. As the holidays will soon be here, she is trying to get some articles ready for a holiday sale. If any one wishes to contribute to this, she would be very grateful.

APPRECIATION.

Mrs. J. N. Vaughn, Strother, Mo., thanks all who remembered her on her seventieth birthday. The date in the Journal made her seventeen instead of seventy.

Mrs. J. N. Vaughn desires to thank the good friends who sent scraps of silk and ribbon. She says they have given her so much pleasure. She is also thankful for the reading matter, post cards and good letters sent to her.

MENDETS FOR EMERGENCY FUND.

We are still selling mendets and will continue to sell them as long as people want them. These mendets mean much to any one keeping house. They will mend leaks in granite, tin, copper, brass, iron, rubber, etc., without the use of cement or solder. A child could use the mendets. Will save many leaky pans, buckets, etc., which otherwise would be useless. The sale from these mendets help the Sunshine Emergency Fund, by buying medicine, comforts and wheel-chairs for worthy shut-ins who cannot afford to buy them. Will you not send us an order, or one for a friend, and thus help our Sunshine work? Send only coin or money order; please do not send Canadian money, as it is not equal to United States money in value in these parts of the states. The mendets come in assorted sizes, fifteen in a box, and a little wrench, for 25 cents, and do not forget a two-cent stamp for mailing. Please do not forget this. Send all orders to Mrs. Gertrude Cherry, Xenia, Ohio.

PASSED AWAY.

We are sorry to announce the death of our little shut-in, Bessie S. White, 1700 Beech Street, Pine Bluff, Ark. It came as a shock to the whole family. He was ill but a few days with congestion. He enjoyed the cheer sent to him from the Sunshiners. His mother wrote: "We have his table covered with his books, 1,185 post cards and his Bible. He finished reading it through on Sunday before he took sick. The last chapter he read he left his pencil there and told his sister to close his Bible. It was II. Cor. 13:3, 4." Mrs. White thanks every one for the Sunshine sent into his life.

GEMS OF THOUGHT.

Sorrow is not given to us alone that we may mourn. It is given us that, having felt, suffered, wept, we may be able to understand, love, bless. Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed.—Josh. 1:9.

To succeed in life one must have an intense sense of humor and a humorous sense of intense.—Carolyn Wells.

A good deed is never lost. He who sows courtesy, reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness, gathers love.—Richard Brooks.

STOPS TOBACCO HABIT.

Elders' Sanitarium, located at 1014 Main St., St. Joseph, Mo., has published a book showing the deadly effect of the tobacco habit, and how it can be stopped in three to five days.

As they are distributing this book free, any one wanting a copy should send their name and address at once. (Advertisement)

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HOW TO GROW EXTRA EARLY TOMATOES

By Margaret M. Mann, Boulder, Colorado

In growing all kinds of vegetables for market, the man who can produce the earliest ones realizes the most from his crop. This is especially true of tomatoes. Very early ones bring fifteen cents per pound, while late ones often go begging at one cent.

Tomatoes are so easily killed by frost, it is impossible to hurry them by early planting out of doors. It is easy, however, if one begins in time.

First, get good seed, of a reliable seedsmen. No amount of cultivation will produce good tomatoes from poor seed.

As early in March as possible get the greenhouse or hotbed ready, and put in the seed. This seems early, but you will soon see it is none too early for all the different transplantings.

When the plants have grown their second leaves they are ready to be moved the first time.

The seed can be planted quite thickly the first time, but in transplanting set them three inches apart. They will need shading for a few days, until they are established in their new quarters. The soil, too, must be kept moist. The tomatoes should be nice, stocky little plants by the middle of April. Air should be admitted whenever the weather permits, or the plants may grow leggy and weak. The soil should be kept loose by frequent stirrings with a fork or tiny hoe, and the waterings should be carefully attended to.

The tomatoes should grow very rapidly from now on. When they attain a height of four inches, prepare the flats for the final indoor transplanting. These flats are simply boxes about six inches deep and of a size convenient to carry to the garden when setting them out.

In preparing the soil for these flats, have it quite rich, to promote rapid growth, and add a little lime and sulphur to discourage insect enemies.

Great care should be taken all through the growing process to keep them growing. A stunted plant never makes a healthy one.

The plants should be set six inches apart in these flats. The idea is to have the plants completely fill the flats with fibrous roots, and grow one foot or more in height before planting time. They will do it, too, and be full of little tomatoes and blossoms when others are putting out weak, spindling plants.

When it is time to set them—and that is when all danger of frost is over—carry the flats right to the garden where they are to be set. With a knife cut the soil into squares, and set each plant in a previously prepared hole. They should come out in a solid piece, not disturbing the roots at all, and will wilt very little, if at all. Of course, water should be run to them, unless there should be rain.

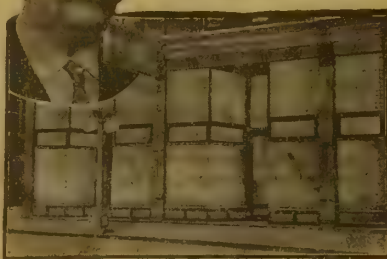
Plants grown in this way will grow tomatoes so much earlier than your neighbors that your first month's picking will probably bring more than your neighbor's whole crop.

THE ROSE BED.

A sunny exposure with some protection from the north and west winds, as a wall or fence, is the best place for the rose bed. The soil should be spaded up deep, well enriched with cow manure, and if very tenacious should have a liberal dressing of sand, thoroughly incorporated. The plants should be obtained and set in the



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spring or early summer, and during the heat of summer the bed should be given a top dressing of well-decayed, stable manure. In the north a board frame with some dense brush (without leaves) thrown over will be found good protection. If more protection is needed, place a large pile of coal ashes around each bush, before applying the brush. In spring, after danger from frosts is past, remove the frame and the ashes, and cut away any frost-nipped branches. You will soon be rewarded by a fine growth of branches with buds and flowers.

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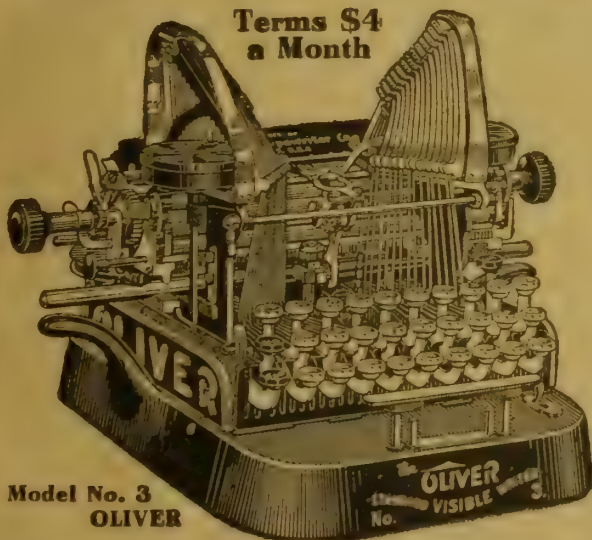
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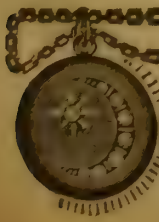
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Up to the skies;

The sound

Is drowned—

Hark!

—Charles H. Crandall, in the Century.

A BOY WHO OBEYED ORDERS.

It was a wet, cold, October evening that a boy trudged wearily into the seaport town of Chatham, England, with a bundle on his shoulder. He was covered with mud, and from under the long black locks that fell on his forehead, two big eyes stared out at the world, and his thin cheeks were pinched with cold and wet with rain. He met a sailor as he entered the town outskirts, and, stopping him, said, "If you please, which way to the docks?"

The sailor directed him, and he went forward down the narrow streets till he came to the waterside. There he wandered around for a time without seeing any one, for it was supper time; but presently he came upon an old man, and asked, "Are those ships out there warships?"

"Aye," replied the man, "they be, sure enough, lad. Be ye a-goin' to the wars?" And he grinned.

"Yes; but I don't know how to get on board," said the puzzled boy. "Where do the boats land?"

"Right here," and the old man waved his pipe at the landing stage before them. "See! yon is one a-comin' now."

Sure enough, a boat was rowing swiftly in. It drew up to the landing stage and an officer stepped out. The boy approached the officer, and, touching his cap, said, "Please, sir, can you tell me how to get on board the frigate *Raisonnable*?"

The officer looked down, and, staring at the thin, pale face with its big eyes and firm mouth, replied, "Why, that is my ship. But what do you want on board of her?"

"Please, sir, I want to join. Her commander, Captain Suckling, is my uncle, and I was to report to him."

The officer looked again at the boy. "Well, in that case I can take you aboard when I return. But you look cold and hungry, my lad. Have you had supper?"

"No, sir; I left home early this morning, and have not eaten anything since."

"My! Here you have reported to me. I am a lieutenant on board, so come on up and have something to eat with me. Why didn't you stop in town as you came?"

"Well, you see, sir," replied the boy, "I promised father that I would come straight to the ship and report for duty, without stopping in town, so I couldn't very well."

"Good boy!" cried the officer. "If you obey orders as well in the navy, you

should get on capably. What is your name?"

"Horatio Nelson, sir."

And the man who, as a boy, had learned to obey orders unflinchingly, later became the great sea hero of England, Horatio, Lord Nelson.—Boy's World.

THE LOST PURSE.

"Why, here's somebody's purse!" said Amy Race, aloud, as she stumbled over something among the loose wrappings and empty boxes on the floor. "And it's full of money!" she said, almost in a whisper, as she peeped inside and saw shining silver pieces and crisp bills. "I wish it was mine, and I'd get a whole lot of things for Ethel on my way home."

Amy was a little cash girl in a big city store, and at home she had a little sick sister. The mother worked very hard at her sewing to keep her children happy and comfortable, and Amy took home her money to help along, but they had very hard times, indeed, since Ethel was sick and there were medicines to buy.

"I wonder if it would be wrong to take just one piece," thought Amy. "The purse was open, and whoever lost it might think it dropped out." Then at once she said, "Amy Race, I'm ashamed of you! What would your mamma think? You go to Bible school every Sunday, and then you want to take money that doesn't belong to you."

At once Amy started to the desk to report what she had found, but on the way she met a lady who seemed to be searching all about. "Little girl, have you seen a pocketbook?" she asked. "I lost it in here, I think, and it was full of money for the Children's Hospital. I am so worried about it, for it means help to so many poor little boys and girls."

You may be sure Amy was glad she could return the purse with all the money safe, and when the lady heard of poor little Ethel she said she should be the first patient taken to the hospital to be cared for with the gift money.—Hilda Richmond.

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Steamed Fig Pudding—Chop fine half a pound of suet; add a pint of dried figs, stewed, drained and chopped. Soak one and a half pints of dry bread crumbs in a fourth of a pint of sweet milk and add to the suet and figs; then add two well-beaten eggs, half a pint of sugar, a bit of salt, and half a teaspoonful of cinnamon. Steam three hours in a buttered mold. Serve with any preferred sauce.

Fried Oysters to Garnish Turkey—For this you select fine large oysters. Take them from the liquor carefully and dry on a soft cloth. Dip each oyster in powdered crackers, rolling it over and over until well coated. Fry them in enough hot butter to cover them when you put them in the frying pan. Take out the moment they are done and lay around the edge of the hot dish in which the turkey is established.

Apple Trifle—To a pint of cooked dried apples add, while hot, the beaten yolks of two eggs. Lay slices of stale sponge cake in a glass dish, pour over them the apples after they are cool, let stand a half hour, then beat the whites of eggs stiffly; add two tablespoonfuls of sugar and pile on top of the apples, or whipped cream may be used instead of the eggs meringue. In that case, add the beaten whites to the apples.

Scotch Tea Cake—Work three-fourths of a pound of butter, using a wooden spoon, until very creamy; then add gradually, while beating constantly, six ounces of sugar. Work in, a little at a time, one pound of flour, using the hands to do it. Press evenly into a buttered dripping pan and prick with a fork. Bake in a moderate oven thirty minutes, and cut into small squares or strips. Let stand ten minutes before removing from pan.

Baked Oysters—Melt a quarter of a pound of butter in a lined stew pan, add a teacupful of cream and stir until they are thoroughly mingled. Add a small quantity of cayenne, a little lemon peel well grated and a tablespoonful of anchovy sauce and let the whole become well heated, stirring constantly. Then pour half of the mixture into a dish and lay the oysters in it. Strew with Parmesan cheese and bread crumbs and a little salt and pepper, pouring the rest of the cream and butter over this and topping off with another thin layer of cheese and crumbs. Bake the whole in a brisk oven until well browned and serve very hot.

Ginger Sponge Cake—Four eggs, six ounces of sugar, a saltspoonful of ground ginger, and a tablespoonful of ginger syrup. Whip the eggs, sugar and ginger syrup together for fifteen minutes. Put the flour into the oven for a minute or two just to warm it slightly, then beat it in lightly with the ground ginger. Line a pan with well-greased paper, and bake it for about an hour in a moderate oven. When cold cut it through the center, and spread upon it a coating of the following ginger cream: Mix together four ounces of icing sugar, a tablespoonful of cream, twelve drops of ginger essence, and two ounces of preserved ginger cut small. Put the cake together again, and ice the top with ginger flavored icing, decorating it in any preferred style.

Fried Spring Chicken—Put skillet on stove; when it begins to smoke, put in about two tablespoonfuls of butter; when the butter is melted lay in the chicken. Sprinkle over it flour, salt and pepper; place lid on the skillet, and cook over a moderate fire. When a light brown, turn the chicken, and sprinkle flour, salt and pepper on top, as at first. If necessary, add more butter and cook slowly until done. As a general rule, a half hour is sufficient to fry spring chicken. To make rich and nice gravy without cream, take the yolk of an egg and beat up light, strain, and stir slowly into the gravy after the flour and milk have been stirred in thoroughly. As soon as it boils up it is done and should be removed from the stove.

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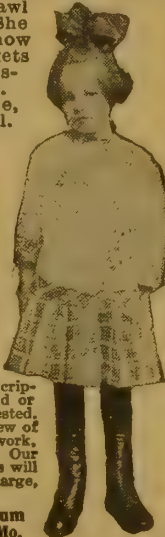
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And we bend to the ways of the world for the sake

Of its poor and scanty praises.
And time runs on with such pitiless flow
That our lives are wasted before we know
What work to finish before we go
Under the daisies.

And too often we fall in a useless fight,
For wrong is so much in the place of right,
And the end is so far beyond our sight,
'Tis as when one starts on a chase by night,

An unknown shade pursuing.
Even so do we see, when our race is run,
That all we have striven for little is won,
And of all the work our strength has done,
How little was worth the doing.

So most of us travel with very poor speed,
Failing in thought where we conquer in deed;
Least brave in the hour of greatest need,
And making a riddle that few may read,

Of our life's intricate mazes.
Such a labyrinth of right and wrong,
Is it strange that a heart once brave and strong
Should falter at last, and most earnestly long
For a calm sleep under the daisies?

But if one poor troubled heart can say,
"His kindness softened my life's rough way,"
And the tears fall over the lifeless clay
We shall stand up in heaven in brighter array
Than if all earth rang with our praises.
For the good we have done shall never fade,
Though the work be wrought and wages paid,
And the wearied frame of the laborer laid
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MACRAME WORK.

Just a little account of one of the most effective pieces of macrame work will lead the needlewoman into unsuspected variations.

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Now use four threads to indicate each diameter of the square and catch all the cross lines together at the center.

From this begin to weave a central star, a point on each ray of the framework. Go over and under the four threads, which you have divided in two; under two, over two, turning around and weaving back and forth until you have made the section the length desired. Tighten the threads at the end and pass on the wrong side back to the center of the square. Continue this way on each of the radiating lines. When you have finished you will have eight points for the star.

Run cross threads that connect the ends of the diameters and parallel lines which are half way between these and the corners of the square. You have now made a fairly good framework on which you can weave a very attractive design.

At each corner make a four-pointed star, that on account of its short petals will look like a small flower.

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Finish the whole motif by circular threads, which are run around the spokes and caught at every one by knotting. Pillows, scarfs and centerpieces enriched by this kind of needle craft are things of beauty.

The work is particularly effective over contrasting satin. It can be done in colors on gray or tan linen, the shade of embroidery being matched by the slip under the pillow or an inset panel under a runner.

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When using a sewing machine, if the thread breaks easily, soak spool and all in hot water for about two minutes.

It is best to buy fresh meat and vegetables. A can of salmon costs as much as a beef stew, and is not half as nourishing or satisfying.

If the enamel inside a rusty tea kettle is not cracked, it may be thoroughly cleaned by putting in soda and cold water and bringing to a boil.

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Is calling you: "Come back to me."
Your own phoebe,
Your lone phoebe,
Is calling you: "Come back to me."
—A. M.

Pumpkin pies and pudding

In New England, in the olden days, the pumpkin was never peeled, in making pies, but, after being washed and scrubbed, was cut up in small pieces and all the woody fiber scraped off. Just enough water was added to prevent the pumpkin's burning, and it was cooked for several hours.

Today the fireless cooker is admirably adapted to the slow-cooking process so necessary for pumpkin. When tender and cool enough to handle, the skin is taken off and the pumpkin remainder pressed through a sieve. Measure out five cupfuls of the pumpkin and allow to it a teaspoonful of cinnamon, two cupfuls of ginger and a generous cupful of brown sugar. Stir in four beaten eggs, a quart of milk and half a cupful of cream. Pour into the pastry-lined pie plates, and bake till firm.

Another delicious pie is made after this recipe: Mix together two-thirds of a cupful of brown sugar, a teaspoonful of cinnamon, half a teaspoonful each of salt and ginger, and stir it into one and a half cupfuls of steamed pumpkin pressed through a sieve. Then add two eggs, beaten slightly, one and a half cupfuls of milk and half a cupful of cream. Bake in a lower crust and serve with a sauce made after this recipe: Cream a quarter of a cupful of butter and add gradually, while beating constantly, one and a half cupfuls of brown sugar; then add the yolks of two eggs, well beaten, and half a cupful of milk. Cook over hot water, stirring constantly till the mixture thickens. When thick and smooth, pour on the whites of two eggs, beaten stiff, beating constantly as it is poured on.

A pumpkin pie served with a boiled custard is another tasty dessert. The filling for this pie is made by mixing one and a half cupfuls of the stewed and strained pumpkin with one and a half cupfuls of milk, a beaten egg, three quarters of a cupful of brown sugar, a tablespoonful of butter, half a teaspoonful each of salt and ginger and a teaspoonful of cinnamon.

Another delicious dessert is to make the pie as directed above, and, when it is cold, heap it well with whipped cream, sweetened to taste.

Pumpkin may be served as a vegetable. Peel and cut the pumpkin into slices, boil in salted water until tender, and season with salt, pepper and butter. It also can be cut in slices and baked. In fact, pumpkin may be cooked as winter squash is cooked with very good effect.

▲ pumpkin pudding is a vegetable dish

a little out of the ordinary. Take a cupful of the pumpkin, cooked and pressed through a sieve; add two tablespoonfuls of melted butter, a quarter of a cupful of milk, salt and pepper to season and the yolks of two eggs, well beaten. When these ingredients are thoroughly mixed, fold in the beaten whites, turn into a buttered mold, put in a pan of hot water, and bake until firm. Turn from the mold and serve with a rich cream sauce seasoned with salt, pepper, celery salt and mace.

To preserve pumpkin, slice the pumpkin very thin and put the slices in lime water. At the end of twenty-four hours, drain, wash and wipe dry. Make a sugar and water syrup, using half as much water as sugar, and, when thick, put the pumpkin slices into it to simmer until tender for a day, flavoring with as much lemon as you wish. Let them stand in the syrup over night, and cook again the next day if necessary. When done the pumpkin should be crisp and transparent. Put the slices into stone crocks and cover.

A little cooked and mashed pumpkin may be added to pancakes with very good effect.

Family economies

Economy in the home is largely the result of observation. One may say that knowledge is the basis of economy, but the fundamentals of knowledge can only be acquired through observation.

Efficient housekeeping is nothing more nor less than the methods uncovered by observation, classified in an orderly, progressive manner, so that they may be practically applied.

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Watch the bills that the grocer and butcher send with your order. They may be right, and then again they may be wrong. Watch the goods delivered, and the methods the stores from which your goods come have of keeping things clean.

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Compare the amount of money expended for luxuries against the amount for necessities, so that you discover whether your income is apportioned correctly.

It can even be learned whether trading stamps are a saving, or whether they are an expense, by comparing the quality and prices of goods purchased at stores that do not give them, as well as at the ones that do.

The government issues booklets that give tables of food values, good combinations, so that you can learn the relative nutritive value of the foods that you consume.

By observation, you can learn whether it pays you better to buy on credit, or by—paying cash, purchasing quantities when possible.

The foregoing are but a few ways to observe, and should indicate plainly the value of observation, and the study of the observations of others, so that knowledge may be gained from all sources that will be of value in practicing economy in the home.

To buy bedding

Very few women know how to buy bedding. Many select a mattress and pillows by the covering. If the ticking is of a pretty color or design, that will decide the matter for them.

Of course, the ticking is an important feature of bedding, but not in color only. It is but natural that the woman of taste should desire color harmony, but she should combine this with the other requirements of perfect bedding.

Take, for instance, the pillow. No matter how good the feathers, they require a ticking that has a firm texture—one that is moisture and dust proof and that is of sufficiently close weave to prevent the feathers from working through. The prudent purchaser will examine this carefully.

In buying pillows made up, it is of course impossible to examine the feathers. You can test the pillow, however, by striking it, and if it has a good spring and ample buoyancy, it is likely to prove satisfactory.

Uses for the end of a ham

For using the end of a ham, put it over the fire in cold water and let simmer until tender. When about half done, add to the water four tablespoonfuls of vinegar; when it is done, let cool in the water, then remove the skin from the bone and pick off all the meat, rejecting the hard parts. Run the meat through the chopper; measure, and to each pint of meat allow a gill of milk, a tablespoonful of dry mustard, a dash of tobacco pepper and two eggs. Cook all this in a double boiler for two or three minutes, then turn into a bowl or small jar. It can be used for sandwiches, or sliced cold for supper.

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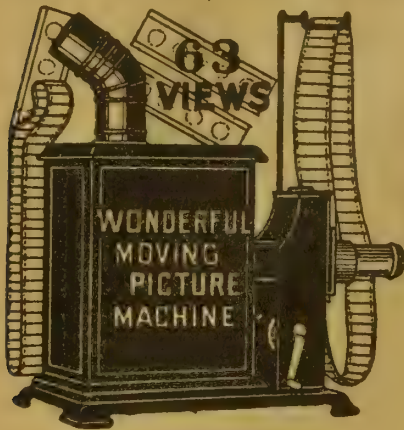
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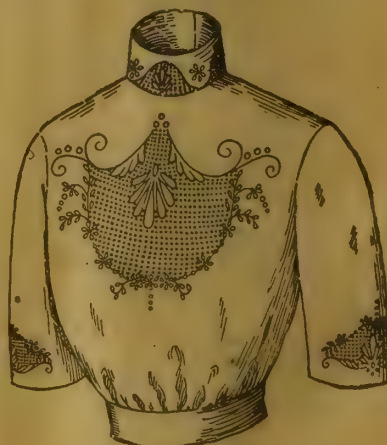
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No. 8199—Centerpiece. French and eyelet design for 20-inch centerpiece. The eyelet flower motif is repeated in each large scallop, and simulated ribbon bows in French embroidery are placed at regular intervals. Price of pattern 10 cents.



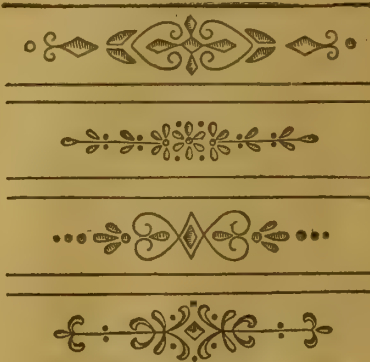
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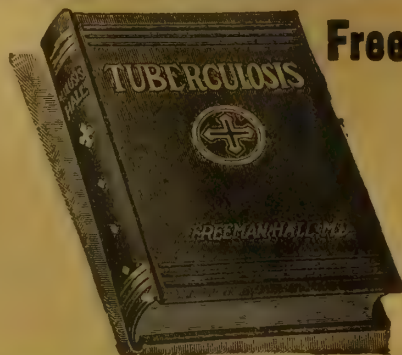
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A PRAYER.

Give me, dear Lord, the sweet philosophy—That will enable me, with friendly eye, To view the things that have no joy for me—The ways of other men that pass me by. I would not frown at folly, solemn-wise, And be content shrewdly to criticise.

Give me the wide philosophy that finds In each poor jest and antic something good; Show me the tie that me to others binds, That makes men lovable, when understood, Too long, I've had the narrower wish to be Clad in the garb of cold austerity.

Give me a faith; just for each common day. Not in vain things beyond my ken and care; Let me believe that down life's darkest way The grime and dust hide something good and fair.

Let me find something in each sordid scene Of hidden good that is, or might have been. —Louis Dodge, in Youth's Companion.

GOOD SUGGESTIONS FROM A NEW JERSEY SISTER.

Dear Editor:—Enclosed please find some helps that have been useful to me and may help others.

An easy way to clean silver is to put it in an aluminum vessel, cover with boiling water, using good soap or soap powder, let stand a few minutes, then wash, rinse, and dry. If treated thus once a week, that dread silver-cleaning day will never come.

To take away the bitterness of washing in winter, wet the hands with vinegar, and dry, then put on white woolen golf gloves, to hang out the weekly wash.

Take gray outing flannel or any soft material, and make a skirt, six inches longer than the broom, with a ten-inch hem. Then pleat the top on cotton tape, large enough to go over the handle with ease. Wet with water and soaped, it is a first-class mop. When dry, it can be used to dust walls, hard floors or linoleums. Dipped in kerosene and dried, it is a dustless duster.—Mrs. G. B. A.

FLOWERS ON HATS NOW OF OIL-CLOTH.

Black flowers for hats and gowns have long been seen in silk and velvet. Now Paris is making them in oilcloth.

This flower oilcloth looks like patent leather without any of the latter's stiffness. Oilcloth flowers are worn on hats and are especially popular for motor or seaside millinery, as they do not crinkle and droop in inclement weather, do not get blown out of shape by the wind and are not injured by dust, but can easily be wiped clean.

While utilitarian to a degree, oilcloth flowers are used as accessories for filmy afternoon and evening gowns quite as much as for practical trimmings for hats. They are considered especially effective pinned in among the furbelows of a white gown. The rose is the most usual flower seen in oilcloth.

This new material is also used in the making of entire hats, collars, belts for gowns or coats and floral slipper rosettes.

LEMON REAMER SAVES ALL JUICE.

It is very easy to extract the juice with a glass reamer, and not a drop is wasted, says the Mother's Magazine. The reamer consists of a corrugated glass cone of a size to fit exactly into half a lemon rind. At the base is a row of little pillars to hold back the seeds and a circular trough with a spout for pouring off the juice of each half lemon as scraped out of the rind.

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broken, though for twenty-five cents you can buy aluminum ones, provided with a small cup beneath to receive the juice from holes in the trough.

The reamers can be packed into a picnic lunch basket, and are easily washed, which is a good point, provided you wash them immediately after using. Hold one under the faucet just a moment.

CHICKEN AS THE SPANISH LIKE IT.

To fricassee a chicken in Spanish style, cut up a chicken or fowl, weighing about four pounds, in pieces for serving, put into a kettle with five cupfuls of boiling water, and simmer until the chicken is tender. Remove the meat, cool, then roll each piece in seasoned flour and fry a delicate brown in fat. Wash and cook in the liquor one cupful of rice, which has been fried in two tablespoonfuls of butter, with one tablespoonful each of onion and red and green pepper. Add one teaspoonful of salt and one-eighth teaspoonful of pepper. When the rice is tender turn onto a platter, and on it arrange the pieces of chicken. Garnish with parsley. —Good Housekeeping.

ORANGE DISH.

This recipe for orange dulce comes from a Spanish woman. It is an especial favorite in Cuba, is easy to prepare and is a change from every-day sweets.

Parboil six sour oranges of medium size, until a broom splint will go right through them readily, then set them on a sieve to drain.

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 - A girl's name, and leave to damage.
 - A boy's name and leave a mode of conveyance.
 - A boy's name, and leave a city of Southern Europe.
 - A girl's name, and leave a boy's name.
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No. 2—SQUARE

- 1. A common preposition. 2. A thought. 3. Something caused by sorrow. 4. An injury.
- Rieta Keller, Indiana.

No. 3—BEHEADMENTS

- 1. To desire eagerly, and leave a tall steeple.
 - 2. A small spot, and leave a measure.
 - 3. The joint of the neck, and leave an animal.
- Frank Kehrer, Michigan.

No. 4—NUMERICAL ENIGMA

- My 3, 2, 9, is falsehood.
- My 7, 9, 3, 10, means depend.
- My 1, 9, 7, 9, is a verb in the past tense.
- My 4, 2, 9, is what we all have to do in the end.
- My 5, 2, 9, is what most all boys wear.
- My 4, 6, 8, 9, is a title of prominence.
- My **WHOLE** is something most all persons like to eat.—Moses Byington, Jr., Tennessee.

No. 5—MYTHOLOGICAL DIAMOND

- 1. A letter in Ariadne. 2. The inventor of the shepherd's flute. 3. A noble Pythagorean of Syracuse. 4. The daughter of Chaos. 5. A letter in Orion.
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No. 6—DOUBLE ACROSTIC

- Primals and finals give two girls' names.
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- No. 2—Dale, ale. Camber, amber.
- No. 3—Bureau. Washstand. Writing desk.
- No. 4—Redwood. Cedar. Evergreen. Mulberry. Palm. Boxelder. Coconut.
- No. 5—
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No. 6—Glade, glad. Carp, car. Form, for. Leal, lea.

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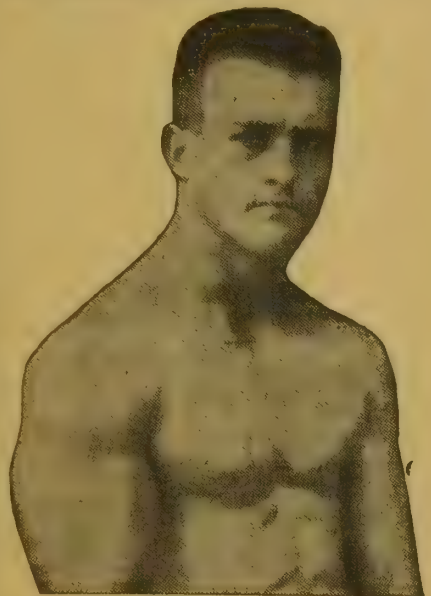
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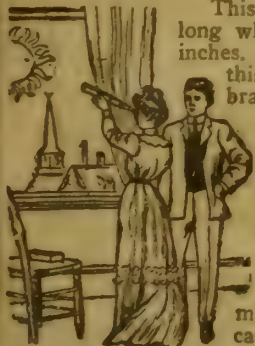
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Donald's new house had only four small rooms, but it was considered quite a pre-tentious edifice in those primitive days. Before it the cleared fields of his farm sloped down to the ice-bound bay; behind it great woods stretched inland, intersected here and there by trails and wood roads. In winter the ice was the great highway of traffic, and people from far and wide passed Donald's door, often calling to warm themselves beside his fire and exchange news of the various scattered settlements.

This day was bitter cold, and a storm threatened. Few travelers were abroad, and Donald had no callers. He felt lonely, and got his fiddle down for company. It was too early yet to go across the bay to Sherman's. Donald smiled to himself as he played "Annie Laurie," and thought of Nancy Sherman, more beautiful than the heroine of the old ballad.

"Her face it is the fairest that e'er the sun shone on," hummed the young Scotch-Canadian, softly.

The Frasers were one of the best families in the little colony, which was as yet so thinly populated that everybody in it knew everybody else. Alexander Fraser, Donald's father, had been one of the earliest immigrants from Scotland. He was a man liked and respected by all, and had taken a prominent part in shaping the affairs of the colony. From him Donald, his first-born, inherited his broad shoulders, sandy hair, deep-set gray eyes and resolute jaw. But it was from his Irish mother that Donald got the qualities which made him a favorite with all who knew him. The merry curve of his mobile mouth, the twinkle in his gray eyes, the gay smile, the flashing wit, the irrepressible good comradeship that distinguished him from the more reserved pure-bred Scotch folk, even the faint suggestion of "brogue" in his ringing tones, all contributed to form a personality which was destined to stamp its influence on those rude early days. Many a blue-eyed Scotch and English lassie would have been glad and willing to listen had Donald Fraser come a-wooing, and many a girl's heart of a hundred years ago beat quicker at his step or voice. But Donald cared only for one whom many others wooed likewise. He was not openly favored above his rivals. He did not know whether Nancy Sherman cared for him or not, but he knew that if she would not come to be the mistress of his new house none other ever should. So he dreamed of her as he drew the bow over the strings and filled the low room with the sweetness of old Lowland ballads, the fine frenzy of Highland reels and strathspeys, and the rollicking abandon of Irish jigs. When he played the last, the Irish fun in his nature overflowed him, drowning out the Scottish romance, and he wished that somebody would drop in and crack a joke with him.

When he left the north window, which he liked best because it looked out over the bay to Sherman's, and went to the south one, looking out over a dreary expanse of stumps and half-cleared land, he saw a sleigh emerge from the woods. He knew the driver at a glance, and rushing to the door, threw it open with hearty hospitality. Any one would have been welcome, but this visitor was Neil Campbell, who was Donald's especial crony. Friends they had always been, and friends they were yet—and they were also rivals. People had expected to see their friendship blotted out by their rivalry, but it had stood the test. Each loved Nancy Sherman, and each knew that the other knew it; each was determined to win her, and neither would have hesitated over any ruse that would give him the advantage. But no ill feeling found place between them, and when Neil came home from Berwick he always called to see Donald before he crossed the bay; and sometimes, so free from bitterness was their rivalry, he even took Donald over.

He got out at the door, and shook Donald's proffered hand heartily. Then he tied his restive young mare to a post, threw the buffalo robe over her, and followed Donald into the kitchen.

Neither in appearance nor character was there the slightest resemblance between the two men. In point of looks, Neil Campbell could not for an instant compare with Donald Fraser. He was smaller and slighter, with a dark, melancholy face and intensely blue eyes—the vivid blue of the St. Lawrence water on a windy autumn day when the sun breaks out after a storm. In parentage he was pure Highland, with all the Highlander's mystic, poetic temperament. He was not so widely popular as the gay and dashing Donald, and he was not a favorite with women; but his few friends loved him rarely, and it was said by some that if a woman once loved him she would do and dare all things to win him.

Neil threw himself down before the roaring fire with a sigh of satisfaction. It was ten miles from Berwick to the bay shore, and though a lover thought little of that when his lass waited for him at the end, a blazing back log and a "taste" of good Scotch whisky were not to be despised at the half-way station. "It's cold the day," he said, briefly.

"You'll be going over the bay, I'm thinking," said Donald, good-humoredly.

A slight tinge of color showed itself on Campbell's dark face. While he bore Donald no grudge for their rivalry, he could not refer to it in the unreserved way of his friend. To him Donald's off-hand way of looking at the situation savored of greater confidence than he possessed, and this stung him. He only nodded in reply to Donald's remark.

The latter had meanwhile been rummaging in his untidy bachelor cupboard, and now emerged with a bottle of whisky and a couple of tumblers. This was a matter of course a hundred years ago. A woman might offer her women friends a cup of hot tea, but a man treated his callers to a "taste" of the best whisky obtainable. If he failed to do so, he was looked upon as seriously lacking in hospitality.

"You look cold," said Donald. "Set nearer to the fire, man, and let this put a bit of warmth in your veins. You'll need it before you get over the bay. It's bitter cold on the ice today. Now for the Berwick news! Has Jean Maclean made up with her man yet? And is it true that Sandy Macdonald is to marry Kate Ferguson? 'Twill be a match, now! Sure, and with her red hair, Sandy will not be like to lose his bride past finding."

Berwick was Donald's boyhood home, and Neil had plenty of news for him concerning friends and kin. At first he talked little and cautiously, as was his wont, while Donald bantered and joked, but presently the whisky, which neither spared, began to tell on the different temperaments. Donald's volatile spirits evaporated, and the Scotch element of his nature came uppermost. He grew cautious and watchful, talked less, but made shrewder remarks. The Highlander, on the contrary, lost his reserve, and became more and more confidential. At last, after being shrewdly manipulated by Donald, Neil Campbell confessed that he meant to put his fate to the test that very night. He was going over the bay to ask Nancy Sherman to marry him. If she consented, then Donald and the rest should see a wedding as the colony had never yet seen.

Donald rose abruptly, and went to the window, leaving Neil to sip his grog and gaze smilingly into the fire with the air of a man very well satisfied with himself. As for Donald, he was for the moment unplussed. This was worse than he had expected. He had never dreamed that Neil would dare bring matters to a crisis yet. But there was no time to be lost if he meant to get ahead of his rival. In his heart Donald hoped that Nancy Sherman cared for him. What else could those modestly bestowed favors and shy looks, such as she gave to no other, mean? Yet he might be mistaken. She might like Neil best, after all; and whether or no, the first man there stood the better chance. Donald knew very well that Nancy's father favored Neil Campbell, as being the richer man in worldly goods. If Neil asked Nancy to marry him when he, Donald, had not yet spoken, Elias Sherman would have the most to say in the matter, and Nancy would never dream of disputing her father's command. Donald looked far out over the bay, and realized that his chance of winning Nancy depended on his crossing that white expanse before Neil did. How could it be managed? A twinkle came into Donald's eye. All was fair in love and war, and Nancy was well worth the trial. He went back to the table, and sat down. "Have some more, man, have some more," he said, persuasively. "Twill keep the life in you in the teeth of that wind. Help yourself. There's a plenty more where that came from."

"Is it going over the bay the night that yourself will be doing?" asked Neil, as he obeyed.

Donald shook his head. "I had thought of it," he owned, "but it looks a wee like a storm, and my sleigh is at the blacksmith's to be shod. If I went, it must be on Black Dan's back, and he'd like a canter over the ice in a snow storm as little as I. His own fireside is by far the best place for a man to be tonight, Campbell."

Neil nodded drowsily. His potatoes, after his long, cold drive, were beginning to have their effect. Donald, with laugh-

ter in his deep-set eyes, watched his friend, and persuaded him again and again to have yet another "tasting." When Neil's head at last fell heavily on his arm, Donald arose with the smile of a man who has won in a doubtful game. Neil Campbell was sound asleep, and would remain so for some time. How long? was the question. It might be for hours, and it might be for only a few minutes; but half an hour's start would be enough. For the rest, it would depend on Nancy. But there was no time to lose.

Donald flung on his stout homespun overcoat, pulled his fur cap warmly over his ears, and wrapped a knitted muffler of hand-spun yarn around his neck. Then he caught his mitts and riding whip from the nail over the fireplace, and strode to the door with a parting glance at the reclining figure of his unconscious friend. "May your sleep be long and sweet, man," he laughed, softly. With an amused smile, he untied Neil's horse, climbed into Neil's sleigh, and tucked Neil's buffalo robe comfortably around him.

"When he wakes, Black Dan will carry him as well as he would have carried me," thought the schemer; "but if the snow comes after sunset it's little we'll see of either over the bay tonight. Now, Bess, old girl, do your bonniest. There's more than you know hangs on your speed. If the Campbell awakes too soon, Black Dan could show you a pair of clean heels for all your good start. On, my girl!"

Brown Bess, one of the best mares in the county, sprang forward over the ice like a deer. The sun was nearing its setting. The gleaming white expanse of the bay, gemmed here and there with wooded, purple islets, and rimmed in by dark violet coasts, glittered like the breast of a fair woman decked with jewels. Above, the curdled gray rolls of cloud flushed faintly pink, but the north and east were gray with the presage of night and storm.

Donald thought of none of these things, nor of the rare spiritual beauty of the wastes about him. As he urged Brown Bess forward, with now and then a glance behind to see if Black Dan were yet following, he thought only of what he should say to Nancy Sherman, and of what her answer would be.

The Shermans were a family of United Empire Loyalists who had come to Canada at the close of the American War of Independence. They never spoke of their former fortunes, but it was the general opinion that they had once been wealthy. However that might be, they were poor enough now, and life was even a harder struggle for them than it was for the Scotch immigrants who had already obtained a footing on the Canadian soil.

Elias Sherman was a genial, friendly soul, and his wife was a pale, proud woman who had once been beautiful, and was dignified and gracious yet. When they came to the little maritime colony, they brought two children with them. These two children, Nancy and Betty, grew up amid many hardships and privations; but as they blossomed out into young womanhood they were widely famed for their beauty, and lovers from the best and wealthiest of the colonial families came a-wooing to the little cottage on the bay shore, and thought themselves richly repaid if they won a smile or a kind glance from the "beautiful Sherman girls." Beautiful and stately they were, indeed, with a grace and charm of manner that triumphed over mean attire and rough sur-

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SWEET PEAS.

Sweet peas may be grown for profit or pleasure under good conditions. Good varieties are essential. We had in 1913, White Wonder, Janet Scott (pink), Lady Grisell Hamilton (lavender), also mixed Spencers.

We first dug a trench one foot deep, putting four inches of well-rotted manure in the trench, wood ashes scattered over this, then covered with two inches of earth. We sowed seed as early as possible, and covered with one inch of earth. As soon as sweet peas were up, we scattered a little nitrate of soda along the sides of the plants, which should not touch plants of any kind. As plants grow, fill in remainder of earth. This keeps the roots cool, moist, and withstand drought, gives luxuriant foliage, long stems and an abundance of blooms. From 65 feet of row, planted thickly, we had 11,000 blooms, to sell at 20 cents per 100, 50 to each bunch, all good, saleable flowers. Some flowers had stems fourteen inches long, with large and fragrant blooms. We picked off every bloom in full flower every other day. This is a vital point to watch, as allowing seed pods to grow will stop the blooms of the vines. We set good posts, six feet above the ground, fifteen feet apart, ran one line of hay wire close to the ground, another three feet from the ground, and another across the top of the posts. Common twine was run from the ground to the middle wire, about two or three inches apart. This twine was run from the middle wire to the top later on. The bottom twine should be run as soon as possible, that the tendrils may take a hold.—W. A. Cann, Pennsylvania.

GROWING DAHLIAS IN CENTRAL TEXAS.

Waco is noted far and wide for its beautiful homes, and this is due, in part, to the yards full of flowers of almost every description. The soil in Central Texas is very rich and almost all plant life grows luxuriantly. However, no one tried to grow dahlias, and when I suggested the growing of them to the leading florists, they said that it could not be done, claiming that the soil and climate were not suitable. But I persisted, and with my love and care have grown dahlias here in all their old-time beauty.

In April, 1913, I received from the Household Journal Floral Department two dahlia bulbs—the Grand Duke Alexis and the Cuban Queen. I planted them in tubs of sand, fertilized with pulverized poultry droppings, with only sand surrounding the bulbs. I set the tubs on the south side of the dwelling, to have the

early morning sun and as a protection against north winds, shading them at mid-day whenever the sun was too hot. I kept the soil moist with ice drippings, occasionally sprinkling a tablespoonful of lime in the soil before watering them. They grew rapidly, many side branches forming, and when about four feet tall the plants became so heavy with buds that it was necessary to support them. In October large, perfect flowers were formed, with beautifully quilled petals—the Duke white with a tint of lavender, the Queen a brilliant crimson. They were much admired, and many inquired the name of this rare, beautiful flower.

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A BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS CACTUS.

I have been successful in growing so many kinds of plants that I hardly know which has done the best. I have grown beautiful Easter lilies in an ordinary east window, and been successful with scores of other plants. Before I took The Household Journal I had never tried anything but geraniums, but have found all kinds of information in each number I have received.

Many people ask, "How do you make your Christmas cactus bloom so beautifully?" I report it every second year in good sand, with one-fourth good, rotted chip dirt, with a few pieces of broken crockery in the bottom of the pot for drainage. In spring I set the pot on the ground in the shade where it gets only what moisture it draws from the ground and rainfall. Before frost I take it indoors in the fall, and put it in an east window. I drench it every three or four days. Every day I heat an old flatiron and set it in a shallow pan of water and put it under the shelf where the plants set. Clouds of warm steam float around the plants and you can almost see them grow. By Christmas my cactus is loaded down with blossoms, and remains in flower so long that I am amply repaid for the little trouble it gives me.—Mrs. E. V. Harpold, Wisconsin.

GLADIOLI CHILDSII.

If by being successful you mean financially, I shall certainly give the credit to Gladioli Childsii. I began with one package of seed. These were planted, oh, so carefully, in a shallow box of good soil. In the same box the tiny bulbets were wintered, dried out, of course. The second year they were set, without separating, in to a larger, deeper box of rich soil. The third summer they were set in rows in the garden, and as they blossomed, the finest were marked and each tiny bulbet saved, shelled, and set between the rows the following season. This rule, followed each year, soon gave

me all the bulbs I could care for. The blossoms found a ready market at a nearby summer resort, and some orders for bulbs as well.

Then came Death, and the breaking up of our home. The bulbs were sold at purchaser's price, and after saving a peck for future use, I received \$14.00 for them.

The culture was to set thickly in double rows, two feet apart, in rich soil, and keep free from weeds, mulching, if very dry, and after frost cut the tops three inches from the bulb and spread in the shed until thoroughly dry, then store in a frost-proof celler by hanging in bran sacks.—Mrs. Annie F. Crowell, New Hampshire.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL DAHLIA GROWER.

I have had such good success growing these that it may be of interest to others to know my method, which is, early and deep planting, thorough cultivation and watering, and proper feeding. I like to plant the latter part of April where they get full sun all day, and plenty of air, away from fences or trees, about ten inches deep, three feet apart, using one potato with a good eye rather than a clump.

At the time of planting I scatter a good fertilizer over the soil, using five pounds to 200 square feet. That manufactured by The Plantfood Company, Frankford, Philadelphia, Pa., I have found to be the best. I do not use manure because it makes rank growth, breeds disease and is full of weed seeds. The ground is dug as deep as a digging fork will go, the soil thoroughly pulverized and the fertilizer well worked in.

When the plants are about six inches high pinch them back to about three inches, and also pinch back the side shoots, so as to keep off all buds until about the middle of August, then allow the buds to form, but only one to a stem, and as soon as color shows give another feeding of the fertilizer. Do not allow all the side shoots to remain, but keep the lower ones off, so as to admit air and sunlight and give more strength to the balance of the plant. As a consequence, during late August, September and October I have gorgeous flowers and lots of them.—J. Wm. Lee, Pennsylvania.

MY ROSES.

Here in Western Iowa we have clayey soil, some black dirt, but neither stone nor gravel. I have thirty-two varieties of roses and only one that I cannot name. After receiving from the florists, I place them in tepid water about a half hour before planting, straighten the roots, and tamp the ground hard around them, and they always grow. I buy two-year-olds for quick blooming. In the fall, when the ground begins to freeze, I pack leaves around the roots, and sprinkle enough ground over the leaves to keep them from blowing away. Never cover the tops. If they freeze, cut them back.

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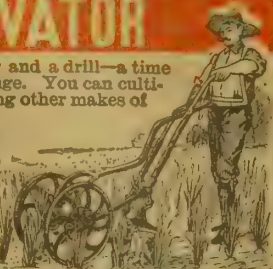
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Part of this rose garden was at one time an old road bed, along which the rank growth of weeds gave evidence of good soil. This was plowed a good depth, then given a coating of manure which had been used the preceding year in a hotbed, thus giving it a chance to be well rotted and in shape for thoroughly incorporating with the soil.

The plants should be set a little deeper than originally grown, and well watered at planting time. After that no great amount of water is required. In dry weather once a week is often enough, too water, and then a thorough soaking is required, as sprinkling is more harmful than beneficial.

After the first season the climbers and most of the hybrid perpetuals will require neither watering nor winter protection. The tea roses should have a good litter of leaves, with brush to hold it in place, thrown over them about December.

In this locality we have roses from May until November, and they almost never

fail to bloom each season.—Lizzie M. Olmstead, Oklahoma.

BEAUTIFUL BEGONIA.

I wish to tell you of an eight-year-old angel-wing begonia which I have. It has large clusters of bright pink blossoms and leaves eight and nine inches long. I report it once a year, usually in the fall. I use one-half garden soil, one-fourth sand and one-fourth well-rotted stable manure, so rotten that it is black. Good drainage is absolutely necessary, which I provide by placing pieces of crockery and coarse gravel in the bottom of the pot. I cut away part of the old woody branches once a year and set small new cuttings around the root of the old plant, thus doing away with the bare look at the base. In cold weather I water sparingly with lukewarm water, but in warm weather I water every two or three days, sometimes until the water runs through. Keep the leaves as free from dust as possible by sponging with warm water and a soft cloth. Never set very close to a south or west window in hot weather, as there is danger of scalding the leaves. I have taken this plant to our county fair for the last five years, and it has always taken first premium. I have many other fine plants. My plants and cut flowers took over twenty dollars in premiums at our fair this fall.—Mrs. J. R. McNeely, Wisconsin.

DAHLIAS FIRST.

Which shall it be? Thinking of my collection of roses, pansies, cannas, petunias, verbenas and dahlias, at last I decided on dahlias. First I will tell you of planting and cultivation. After danger of frost is over—about May 1st—spade your ground deep. Do not have it too rich—a light loam with good drainage is best. Divide your clumps with a sharp knife, leaving not more than two eyes or sprouts to each bulb. Lay the bulb in the hole flat, not on end, and cover with loam about five inches. Plant in a sunny situation, away from trees and shrubs. As I have a large yard, I plant in beds three feet apart. In one bed I had eighty-four bulbs, in two others twenty-one each, and in another forty-nine, besides dahlias all around the yard fence. I have the show, decorative, fancy, cactus and pompon in twenty different colors. I hoe every week until the dahlias are four feet high, when I stake. About the last of June you will have blooms; new branches will shoot forth, and no imagination can picture the beauty of a bed of dahlias or the beautiful combination and harmony of colors that surprise and delight the eye. I mark each fall, so I will know how to arrange colors the next spring. Flowers make the home bright, cheerful and beautiful, and the outdoor exercise will drive away the most obstinate fit of the blues.—Mrs. Chas. McQuillan, Ohio.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS THE FAVORITE.

I prepared a bed 5 by 20 feet by spading it up and manuring heavily with stable manure and leaf mold until my bed was eight inches deep, thoroughly mixing the fertilizer with the earth. In May I set my plants about eighteen inches apart each way, and as soon as they were six inches high I pinched out the top to make them branch out. I then kept them weeded, and in September budded them thoroughly, leaving eight of the strongest buds to each plant, and kept all the buds but these eight pinched off, to insure large blooms. On or about October 15th I began forcing the blooms by pouring boil-

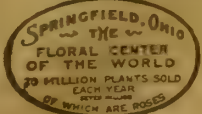
A Friendly Chat

It is said that somewhere in the dusty archives of the past this saying occurs: "He that tooteth not his own horn, his horn shall not be tooted." Therefore we proceed to toot, and offer no apologies.

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TUBEROUS BEGONIAS.

By Margaret M. Mann, Colorado

It is always desirable to have a few plants not very common. The tuberous

begonia has proved to be one of the most interesting I have tried for a long time.

My first trial was a failure. Grown in pots, I did not get a blossom. Bedded on the west side of the house, they were a dismal failure. I would not give up, however, for if others could grow them, I could. I read all I could find about their culture, which was not very much to help me. I concluded to try them on the north side of the house, where they would get only a little sunshine. They grew nicely, making quite a show, and were admired by all my friends, none of whom had ever seen tuberous begonias before.

This year I put them in a large porch box on the north side of the porch, with some ferns and tradescantia. The soil was sandy clay loam and well-rotted manure. They grew eighteen inches tall,

with monster leaves and blossoms, and attracted rather more attention than I had planned for. A great many strangers came in from the street to learn the name of those beautiful flowers, as they were anxious to have some another year.

The bulbs can be kept from year to year if they are properly ripened. At the approach of frost I lifted mine, putting them in smaller dishes with plenty of dirt, to ripen. I watered them some, withholding water gradually. When the tops die down I wrap the bulbs in cotton batting, and pack in a box, and keep in a cool place safe from frost.

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Annunciation or Candidum Lily—Mrs. N. Cox, Michigan—Please see reply to Mrs. F. F. K., Ohio, in this issue. The chances are that you would get much better bulbs by securing fresh stock from the catalogue florists. Readers of this paper often exchange bulbs, but you will find it possible to buy just the number of bulbs you want through the seedsman or florist, and stock of the best size for producing the finest flowers.

Garden Books—D. M. Chowen, Minnesota—You will find listed in several of the large seed and plant catalogues a number of books covering the subjects you mention, together with many others on floral subjects. Possibly it would be more direct and less trouble to you to address the A. T. De La Mare Printing and Publishing Company, of 8 Duane Street, New York. This company publishes and deals in a complete line of books on horticultural and floricultural subjects, and they are in position to supply anything in this line, and at prices from 10 cents per copy up.

Plants Moulding—Mr. Erna Kinible, California—Lack of ventilation would be the writer's explanation for the constant moisture and mould which troubles your small glass house. The fact that you have it walled tightly and well sealed only helps to bring about this condition. You must give the house a light airing as often as possible and keep the temperature up. The house should have ventilation at the top as well as the bottom, but do not depend on ventilation at the bottom alone. This alone would cause all the trouble. If the house does not receive a fair amount of sun, you must offset this with artificial heat. In other words, the heavy moisture and mould can only be eliminated by proper airing and a fairly warm temperature.

Cultivation of Asters—Wm. H. Borst, Michigan—For beds and borders you will find the dwarf and semi-dwarf varieties to be especially fine, while for massing and cut flowers the taller varieties are to be preferred. For house and pot culture all of the varieties found in the catalogues will be found suitable. You can have good plants for setting out in April by sowing seeds in February, but there is not a great deal gained by this early start. Seed sown in the open, well-drained border in a not overly rich soil will give the best results. They do not require a highly enriched compost. As the little plants come on let them have all the light and air possible and they will be less likely to damp off. In transplanting seedlings, let them be of fairly good size, and from this time on they will readily respond to good culture. Keep them well cultivated during dry spells and do not let them suffer for water. The common insecticides will prove effectual remedies against diseases and will help to ward off the aster beetle. Young established plants can be had from any of the catalogue houses any time after April 1st, and if you do not care to give attention to the growing from seed, the little plants can be had for a comparatively small amount.

Propagating Geraniums—C. C. Mishler, Pennsylvania—The writer notices by your letter head that you are in the vegetable business, and he understands that your idea is to use the benches at the vegetable season and through the late spring and early summer to handle plants in pots. It is really too late now to secure all advantages from propagating of geraniums for the coming season. That is, it is a little late for handling the stock plants to the best advantage. Your best plan now would be to buy rooted cuttings of geraniums, or small pot plants. These can be had from the trade, and if you are in the business you should by all means subscribe for any of the trade papers. If you will address the Florists Publishing Company, Caxton Building, Chicago, Ill., you can secure from them (possibly for trial) a short-time subscription of their paper. Every issue of it will be worth the year's subscription price. From it you will be able to secure sources of rooted cuttings or plants, and as you are in the vegetable and flower business you will be entitled to wholesale prices. The publishers of this paper will allow the magazine to go out only to the trade. It is not furnished to amateurs or any one not following the growing of plants, etc., for profit. You will find geraniums to be in good demand and they should pay you well for the space you have to give them.

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Amaryllis Hallii—Miss E. S., Pennsylvania—This lily has been growing in this country for some time, but it is now imported in large quantities from Japan. It does not require particular soil, and planted out anywhere without protection, it will be found to be perfectly hardy and develop beautiful flowers of lavender-tinted pink, fragrant and exceedingly beautiful. The foliage grows early in the spring and dies down in the summer, after which the flowers appear in August. It being just as natural for these bulbs to flower as to grow, the writer is inclined to think that it would be better to throw away the bulb which has not flowered for several seasons, as a new bulb can be had for 25 cents or less.

Winter Care of Begonias—Mrs. Fannie Hebestreit, Ohio—There are two general causes for begonias failing to do well in winter—one not keeping the plants warm enough, and the other allowing the direct rays of the sun to fall upon the wet foliage, which always burns it. When the sunshine is allowed to pour through imperfect glass upon wet foliage it blisters the leaves in nearly every instance, and they will wither up and look badly. It hardly pays to try to force the growth of the begonia in the winter time, and through your seeming efforts to do this the writer thinks the begonia has become in an unhealthy condition. Better let the plant rest: keep in a temperature of 55 or 60 degrees at night and 65 to 70 degrees in the daytime. Watch the formation of roots and report as necessary. Pot-bound plants are subject to red spider, which appears like a rust and gives the plants a sickly and stunted appearance.

Peonies—Mrs. H. D. Hanners, South Dakota—There will be nothing gained in planting peonies at this time, for when the planting is delayed until after October it might just as well be put off until early spring. To bloom in the spring the peonies must have formed roots the fall before, and you cannot expect as much from plants set out in March or April, as compared with those planted in September or October. When planting in the spring, plant early; do not delay it until everything has started to grow. The peonies might be compared to a tulip or hyacinth, which, if planted in the spring right out in the open, would make a growth, but not having been in the ground long enough to produce a root system, there will be nothing to sustain the foliage and large blooms. Hence a little foliage is developed which dies down for want of proper sustenance.

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Cultivation of Chrysanthemums—Mrs. E. P. Cahill, North Carolina—The leaves you send of the chrysanthemums show an uncommon trouble of some kind, and is unquestionably a rust disease due to constitutional conditions which have resulted from a lack of nourishment, poor or weak soil, or some similar trouble. The trouble more than likely should be attributed to conditions of soil, and a heavy mulching of the plants would seem to be the treatment to be recommended. We presume that you wish to grow chrysanthemums for large flowers for exhibition purposes; if so, the best rule to follow is to procure young plants about the first of April. Any of the catalogue firms advertising in these columns can supply them. Small young plants are better than large old ones. Use a two or two and one-half inch pot to begin with, potting the plants in a rich soil composed of two-thirds good garden soil and one-third old, black, well-rotted manure. A little addition of chopped sod is good. Do not sift the soil too much, but use it rather coarse. Pot the plants firmly, and repot as often as the ball of earth shows considerable roots, which will be every two or three weeks. Do not allow the plants to become pot-bound. Water carefully and well, and as often as the soil on the top of the pot begins to look dry. After frost plagues the plants in the ground outside, and as soon as the plants become eight or ten inches high decide on the number of stems you wish to retain. When the buds appear remove all but the first two, ripping out those that appear after the first one. Tie up the plant after it becomes a foot high. Naturally the less number of buds allowed to remain, the larger the blooms will be. Most of the plants in cut-flower establishments are grown with about three stems, and produce such flowers as you see in cut-flower stores.

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Digging the garden, raking and sowing the seed are comparatively easy tasks when compared with the subsequent care which the garden requires throughout the seasons that follow. While digging, raking and sowing, the average gardener is full of enthusiasm. Spring invites the activity outdoors and the "penned up" desire for natural exercise finds expression at last. But it is the summer season that proves the test as to whether you are a true gardener or not. To help you go through this test with flying colors is the purpose of the following suggestions.

Summer activity in the garden may be divided into three parts: You must cultivate, you must keep the soil constantly busy by repeated plantings, and you must properly "rotate" the crops so as to get the best results from every row. Incidentally, summer work does not mean the finish of the garden. Lots of work re-

spread just as much as the plants spread on top. If you get too close to the base of the plants, you are apt to disturb many fine feeding roots. Shallow cultivation is THE thing during the summer. Later in the season, you should slightly hill tall vegetables like beans, tomatoes and corn.

To do the cultivating right, you should have different tools for different purposes. Even if your garden is only a small affair, it will pay you to get a wheel-hoe. Last month I suggested to plant the garden in straight long rows. If you do that, and have a wheel-hoe, the work of cultivating the garden will become a pleasure. Of course, a wheel-hoe does not eliminate the necessity of a hand hoe. For thorough work you should really have two of them—a real heavy one, and a lighter one of the double pointed type. This little double pointed hoe is especially handy early in the season, when you can straddle the rows of small seedlings with it and cultivate both sides of the row at one operation.

Next to hoeing, hand weeding is easily the most important thing required to make the garden successful. No matter how much hand and wheel hoeing you are doing, there are bound to be some weeds between the plants in the rows that must be pulled out by hand. You should also do a certain amount of thinning out. By this I mean you should pull up some of the seedling plants where the rows are too crowded. All varieties of vegetables do better if the individual plants are given fair chance for proper development, rather than to let them grow in a crowded row. I have always made it a point to thin out every variety of vegetable, varying the space between the plants from four to six inches, according to variety. To utilize the comparatively limited space in the home garden to best advantage, you should stake and prune your tomatoes. Tomatoes are one of the six most easily grown vegetables, for which space should be found in even the smallest garden. They literally grow like weeds, and in order not to let them take up too much room, it is advisable to curb their growth by training them to stakes and cutting them back. I have made it a point to always reduce the number of shoots on each tomato plant to three of the strongest branches and then tying them to strong five-foot stakes.

Constant and Intensive Cropping

Along in July or even by the end of June quite a number of rows, which grew extra early vegetables, will become exhausted. If you do not promptly replant them with something else, you will not only lose an opportunity to make your garden produce more, but they will also form a regular breeding place for weeds. The thing to do is to promptly plant something else into the row, some vegetable that will mature before frost. Let us say, for instance, that a row of radishes becomes exhausted by June 15th. You can either plant beans, early sweet corn or beets in that same row for a succession. Beans, beets and sweet corn can be planted up to the 4th of July. But be sure to select early varieties, as other-



Prune and Stake Tomatoes to Save Space and Make Their Cultivation Easier

mains to be done after the first of September. For this reason, I shall not only attempt, in the following paragraphs, to set forth the necessary summer work, but shall also encourage some fall activity that will help you have a better garden next year.

Almost as soon as the seeds are sown, the quickly sprouting vegetables like radishes, lettuce, spinach, etc., force upon you the necessity of cultivation. Cultivation has three distinct purposes. In the first place, it kills the weeds; secondly, it encourages the vegetables to make quicker growth, and finally, it preserves the moisture in the soil. Don't be satisfied with occasional cultivation, but hoe constantly; keep the surface of the garden loose at all times, so as to make it easy for rain or air to penetrate into the subsoil. Some soils require more cultivation than others. If you have heavy clay soil, you should cultivate your garden thoroughly at least once a week.

Early in the season, hoe real closely to all the rows and plants. As the season progresses, keep further away from them, since the roots underneath the ground

wise the bulk of your crop will be gathered in by Jack Frost.

Make it a point never to plant the same vegetables in the same row during one and the same season. But follow radishes with lettuce and beets, follow beans with turnips and spinach, etc., etc. Any number of combinations may be worked out in this way, and every row may be made to yield from two to three crops in the course of one season. Earlier in the season you may also utilize the space between so-called late vegetables by planting it to crops that mature quickly.

Not later than July 1st you should make up your mind what you want in your fall garden. July is the time to set out celery plants, to arrange for beets throughout the fall, to sow spinach and turnips. If you manage to keep up your enthusiasm up to that time, you will be rewarded with a splendid lot of vegetables when most other people's gardens have "gone to weeds." To furnish greens right up to cool weather, let me recommend New Zealand spinach. Planted as late as the 1st of June, it will make a tremendous growth throughout the summer and furnish an abundance of greens right up to frost. Single plants of this strange plant have been known to spread six feet. They will literally furnish pounds of greens during the season. Other fine

age. After everything is harvested or stored, as the case may be, you can do either one of two things. You can dig the garden and leave it lay roughly so as to give the frost a chance to thoroughly freeze the soil, which will make it very mellow the following spring; or you can dig the soil, rake it and then sow it to either rye or vetch. Both these are what the seasoned gardener calls "cover crops." They will enrich the soil, and spaded under the following spring, will put the ground in extra fine gardening condition. Those who have chickens will likewise find it profitable to sow part of the garden to either rye or rape during the latter part of summer. After the rape is firmly established, it will furnish an abundance of green food for the poultry, and since it is a very hardy plant, winter will not kill it.

One final suggestion: Don't try to have too big a garden. It is better to have a small garden, well planned and well taken care of, than to have a large one which is badly neglected. Thirty by fifty feet is enough space to make a garden that will provide a family of five with all the vegetables they can eat throughout the summer. If you doubt my word, just try it. But be sure to apply the principles mentioned above, namely, thorough cultivation, constant cropping, proper crop rotation—all backed up by a desire to work and lots of enthusiasm to have the best garden going.

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In the first place, you should take proper care of everything that is still in the garden with the approach of frost. If you watch the weather reports you should not lose a single tomato through frost. If you pick them real carefully and handle them still more carefully, every green tomato you pick will ripen up nicely if wrapped in paper and stored in a cool place in the cellar. You should likewise store your root crops, such as carrots, parsnips, salsify, etc. Some of these are improved by frost, and may be left in the garden all winter with a slight covering.

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DUCK RAISING.

I am not a large duck raiser, but have been quite successful on a small scale. My poultry plant is composed of four acres of rather low land, with a brook running through the center of the plant. The yard for ducks, also for hens, crosses this brook. I put a dam in the duck yard, giving them two feet of water in the brook, from four to eight feet wide, and I could see a great improvement in their growth from the very first day. I gave them full swimming range. Of a flock of about fifty, I only lost one after I gave them the brook. Before, when I had them in wire coops, with a dish of drinking water by them, I lost a great many. Four times a day I feed a mash composed of ground oats two parts, middlings two parts and corn meal two parts. Into every six quarts of this dry feed I put one quart of meat scraps and a good handful of fine sand, mixing all well together dry before wetting it. I make the mash a little more wet for the ducklings than I do for the little chicks. After I get the ducks to weigh about two pounds each, at night I add two parts of cracked corn to the mash, and can almost stand and see them plump up. At about nine or ten weeks old they are ready for market, or just before they start the pin feathers. To delay longer is a losing game every time, as they shrink in flesh as the feathers come out.—M. Hutchinson, Massachusetts.

COMPARISON OF LAYERS.

That the hens are given the preference over other fowls as layers is shown by a glance at every farm yard in which the hen will be seen and the duck absent. One reason favorable to the hen is that she lays at all seasons of the year, which cannot be said of the duck; but in the duck's favor it may be said that when she begins to lay she lays nearly every day while at it, and from February to September will lay as many eggs as some hens during the whole year. In fact, some ducks will lay one hundred eggs during four months. The duck will give better results with her eggs and young than will the hen. Duck eggs are nearly always fertile, and it is not unusual to get one hundred young ones from one hundred eggs, while a little extra care will bring ninety-five of them to marketable age.

HENS EATING EGGS.

Hens often learn to eat their eggs from eating the egg shells that are given to them with their food. They find it easy to crush the shells that are thus thrown in their way, and probably the taste of a portion of the contents left in the fresh shells is not the least incentive to break other shells in the nest. If you have plenty of oyster or clam shells or ground

bone, the amount of lime in the egg shells is scarcely worth saving for your fowls, and the shells should be thrown in the fire to be pulverized and thrown out with the ashes. However, if you desire to save them, pound them fine and mix in their food, thus avoiding all semblance of egg eating. Perhaps all the fowls in the flock could never learn this bad trick independently, but there are always a few who easily learn, and they will teach the others in a short time.

YOUNG CHICKS.

Filth is more fatal to young chicks than to adult fowls, for the latter are more careful in their hands. It is seldom that a case of gapes exists where, everything else considered, the sanitary conditions of the houses and yards are what they should be. The droppings should be removed every day, with an after sprinkling of air-slaked lime over the floor, and straw and leaves then put in. As soon as the young chicks are hatched it is a good plan to remove them to the garden or out under the trees if the weather is favorable, where they can get plenty of insects to eat, and scratch all they like.

POULTRY NOTES.

Overfeeding should be recognized as a very serious matter, since digestive disturbance is fatal to quick growth.

While the hen houses must not be kept too warm, they must be dry and free from drafts if you wish your fowls to be healthy.

Poultrymen generally count on a shrinkage of a half pound on a carcass. In other words, a two-and-a-half-pound chicken would dress about two pounds.

Save the feathers. They have a market value and they also make nice cushions and pillows. Dry the feathers thoroughly before putting them into any cases.

Don't forget that the hens want plenty of fresh water, even if the weather isn't hot. Laying hens are heavy drinkers, as so much of the egg is composed of water.

The first purpose to which food is devoted is to supply tissues and support for the body. All over that amount goes to the manufacture of eggs, providing the food is not of such a nature as to cause fat.

It is claimed that the flesh of fowls can be flavored by feeding herbs and spices. This is a common practice in France, and it is done to some extent in this country, especially in feeding celery to roasters.

You can beat the hen raising chickens if you give your mind to it, as your brain should be better than a hen's, but if you want to succeed with chickens you must learn from your own mistakes as well as from the hens'.

Eggs from the best hens should not be eaten. When a fowl reaches the 200-egg mark in a season it is evidence of qualities which ought to be perpetuated. Eggs from this kind of stock should go into the incubator.

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CONFINING THE FLYERS.

If the wings of a hen are cut they do not grow again, but once a year a hen sheds her feathers, and in so doing she regains the power of flight; hence, some of them, such as the Leghorns, can fly quite a distance, and then become nuisances. Only one wing should be cut, which throws them out of balance when they attempt to fly. The fence may be made of any suitable material, provided the top is composed of sharp points; but where this is inconvenient, a strand of wire running about six inches above the top of the fence will serve as an excellent contrivance, as the hens in attempting to fly over the top of the fence will strike the wire and be thrown back. One or two attempts will invariably disgust the most persistent flyers.

FEEDING WHEAT.

Fowls are very partial to wheat. It helps the laying capacity of hens, but it should not be used except with discretion as to the quantity allowed them daily. An excess of this raw grain will very frequently induce a looseness in the bowels. It is easy of digestion, and should be furnished in moderation, as a needful and most desirable variety, in conjunction with other dry grains, such as cracked corn, oats, barley, buckwheat, etc. If not more than one-third or one-fourth wheat is allowed with the other cereals mentioned, for ordinary purposes in the laying season, the hens will do quite as well, and they can thus be kept in better average condition than if fed to them in larger quantities.

THE PROFITS AND COST.

It is frequently claimed that eggs pay better in winter than in summer, as prices are then higher, but the question to be considered is not "eggs," but "fowls." Do fowls (not eggs) pay better in winter than in summer? If each hen lays only one egg a week the cost of the egg may be more than its price. Where the best management is given, and the hens lay in winter, the profit in the cold season is large, but there is more labor required in winter and more food to buy. The value of the chicks hatched by hens adds to the profits, but hens cannot raise chicks in winter unless given more care than many are willing to bestow. The largest profits are secured in summer, because, while the prices may be lower, there is nearly always something to sell.

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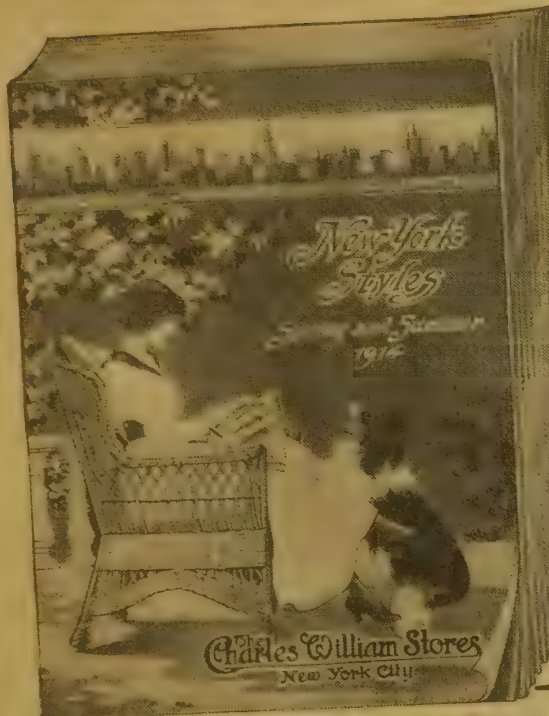


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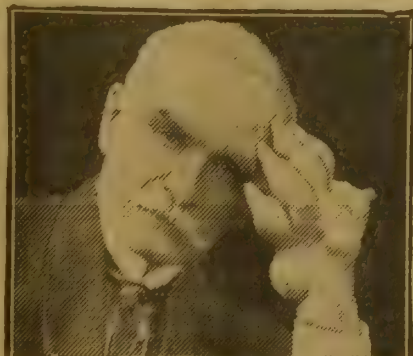
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"It's gettin' late. I can't see another word. I guess it's time to start up the kitchen fire and put over the tea kettle. Pa must have got the chores done; I hear him bringin' in the milk." She bustled out into the kitchen—a chubby, little, elderly woman with a rosy face almost childlike in its gentle innocence. Mr. Allen had just set down the milk pail; the white foam of its contents nearly overflowed the shining tin rim.

He walked slowly across the floor, going to hang up his overcoat on one of the hooks behind the stove. He was a tall, slender man, with shoulders which had already begun to feel the weight of long years of hard work. His hair was gray and scanty, and his face, though ruddy, was deeply lined. He limped a little this evening and his wife noticed the fact.

"Rheumatiz bother you tonight, pa?" she inquired, anxiously.

"I give myself a little wrench as I was comin' down the ladder from the hay mow. I was a bit clumsy, I s'pose. Gettin' old, you see, Mandy." Here Mr. Allen's grin ended in a grimace.

"I expect we're both gettin' old," his wife said, soberly, and then she added, a little slowly, "And somehow it seems as though we'd gotten more so since the children went away."

"Yes, lonesomeness is like sickin' on a dog; it jist hurries up the years," was her husband's rejoinder.

A little later, the two sat down to their quiet evening meal. There was plenty of everything on the table. Somehow one always finds enough to eat on a farm. There were baked beans and brown bread, pink-tinted slices of ham, creamed potatoes, crabapple jelly and two kinds of cake.

"We've got victuals enough for a regiment," Mrs. Allen murmured between her nibbles of the brown bread. "I wish there was somebody besides ourselves here to help us eat things. I s'pose I made too much stuff, but I do hate to cook in little dabs o' things! My! I jist wish our Abel was at the end of the table there; wouldn't he pile into the beans, though!"

"And your nice lemon cake wouldn't go beggin' if Sally was here."

"I'll venture to say that they both think of home cooking when they set down to a boardin'-house table."

"Well, the thinkin's not all on one side," gloomily. "We're thinkin', too!"

"Thinkin'? No doubt about that, pa"—here the mist came into Mrs. Allen's eyes. "Why, today I have longed so for Abel and Sally that I jist had to touch something that belonged to them, so I went to the box that had some of their things in it. There was a letter Sally wrote to me the time we went to Rochester for the cherry trees, and other nursery stock. I read two or three of her old compositions, too, and her graduatin' essay. What touched me most, though, was a couple of valentines she and Abel sent me one year. One was a pretty, lace-papery thing with rosebuds on it, and gilt letters. It said 'Thine Forever.'"

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Respectfully,

The Railroads Unimproved Land Assn., Chicago, Illinois

"Well, our children are not ours forever, it seems," he muttered.

His wife touched his hand lovingly. "But they are the Lord's forever—in life and in death!" she said, softly.

"Yes, I know, Mandy," he replied, stirring uneasily. "But I must own to bein' dretful disappointed that Abel didn't want to stay on the farm. It's a fine one, and if managed right will bring a good livin' and something besides."

"The boy was ambitious and wanted to seek his fortune in the city," soothingly. "And he's been good and stiddy. As for Sally, she took a notion to do literary work. She is as bright as a new dollar and can make up beautiful pieces. Even her letters are as nice as a book to read. And that reminds me, pa, did you look in the box down by the gate? I looked once, but there wasn't anything. I didn't know but what the R. F. D. man was late."

"He didn't stop, Mandy; I saw him when he went by." There was a look of disappointment on Mrs. Allen's face.

"I really expected something"—she laughed nervously, but with a little tremble in her voice. "It's Valentine's Day, you know, pa, and Sally always sends me a card. The fourteenth is my birthday, too."

"I clean forgot that, ma!" And Mr. Allen's tone was full of contrition. He rose from his chair and kissed his wife clumsily, but tenderly.

"Pshaw! Now don't you mind! I'm not disappointed, only"—here the gentle eyes were clouded a little—"only it would have been nice to have heard from the children today. But there's no use in feelin' blue."

So, as the evening wore away, Mrs. Allen plied her needle and Mr. Allen read aloud. Yet for all the efforts at cheerfulness, the house seemed lonely; there was a lack of something. Where were the bright eyes, the merry voices, the noisy, happy, confusion always reigning where young folks are? And down in the mother's heart there was a little gnawing ache. "If Sally only hadn't forgotten Valentine's Day—my birthday!" were the words that came surging to her lips.

Suddenly Mr. Allen paused in his reading.

"What's that noise in the shed, Mandy?" he inquired.

"I guess it's the cat trying to get in; she's probably remembered that there's a saucerful of milk waitin' for her. I'll let the poor thing in." Mrs. Allen laid down her sewing and rose from her chair, but before she could reach the door of the outer room, it opened and two faces rosy with wintry cold peered in.

Mrs. Allen uttered a shrill, little scream of surprised delight. "Abel—Sally!" she cried.

"Hey, good evening, everybody!" came in a cheery duet from the two newcomers. Then Abel's arms enfolded his mother and Mr. Allen was nearly throttled by Sally's rapturous embrace.

"Wha—what does all this mean?" finally gasped the astonished father.

"It means, father dear and mother dear, that you behold a pair of prodigals. Of course, we haven't wasted our substance and gotten down to husks, though the place we've boarded suggested something like, but we've come to the conclusion that home is the place where we belong and where we mean to stay."

"That is, if you folks'll keep us," Abel put in, his strong plain face bright with earnestness as he turned it toward his father, adding, "Do you really want a

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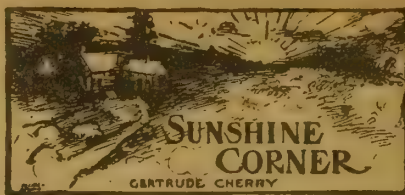
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No! Let us gather hope, and say,
"The sun will shine tomorrow!"

Though fickle Fortune hide her face,
Our brave endeavors scorning,
And rob us of some cherished grace
Without a moment's warning,
Let us not tremble at her frown,
Nor care and trouble borrow,
But say, though night is closing down,
"The sun will shine tomorrow!"

Beyond the shadow's threatening gloom
His welcome beams are shining;
The clouds that o'er our zenith loom
Have all a silver lining.
The darkest hour precedes the dawn,
And gladness follows sorrow;
The longest night will soon be gone,
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—Helen Whitney Clark.

HOW TO GIVE ARIGHT.

If you can help anybody even a little, be glad. Up the steps of usefulness and kindness God will lead you to friendship and happiness. If you wish and dream, and regret, and wonder, you will degenerate and be discouraged. If you can add any joy, strength, comfort, rest, pleasure, to lives about you, your own life will be refreshed, will be more interesting, and better worth the living. Turn your back on the past, for God forgives everything, and turn your face to a useful future, in which God recognizes anything done in kindness, even the giving of a cup of cold water.

Look bright to every one; speak gently and cheerfully; hum little tunes to yourself and to the Lord when you are working. Plan surprises for people—Jesus "went around doing good." So can you in your way with his spirit. If you will fill well the place where you are now, be sure he will give you another place, growing larger as you grow large.

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APPRECIATION.

Mrs. Mamie Coyle, 235 West Main Street, Newark, Ohio, thanks all who sent her cheer during the past year. She will answer all as soon as able.

Little Harold Keller Pugh, of 116 McBaine Avenue, Columbia, Mo., was delighted over the pretty cards he received. One gentleman sent him a box of paints, which is a great pleasure to him.

Little Mabel Martin, Shuff, Pa., R. F. D., Box 32, thanks all who have remembered her. She asks for a dime shower, so they can buy a cow. The father is unable to work now, and they are very poor. Mabel has never been well.

Mrs. M. J. Maddox, North Oliver Street, Elberton, Ga., thanks each one for orders for her plants and cards. She also thanks Headquarters of 96 Fifth Avenue, New York, for a box of nice things. If friends still wish her plants, send full address and stamp for price list.

Mrs. Judson Mason, Asper, Va., writes a grateful letter for the good the Sunshiners have done for her. She has twin babies and three other children, the oldest only seven. The husband has tuberculosis and is unable to do any work. She is so grateful to the Sunshiners for the help they have sent. Do not forget them.

Miss Susie Rudisill, of 713 Laurel Street, Reading, Pa., sends thanks for cards received for Thanksgiving, also for a few small books, Sunshine Julia's letter and cards, and for the Christmas cards, and asks to be excused from answering those cards that had addresses on, on account of her nerves. She also sends thanks for the book from 7212 Gale Avenue, Chicago, Ill. There was no name.

Mrs. Clemen Smith, of Barge, Ga., wrote a very grateful letter for the Christmas cheer sent to them. She hopes to answer all as soon as able. One address was torn, so she has to thank the lady this way. She is Mrs. Alice Smith, of Pennsylvania. Through the kindness of the Journal readers, Mrs. Clemen Smith had a Christmas tree for the children, the first they had ever seen, and they surely enjoyed it and so grateful to all. Mrs. Smith's health is very bad now and she hardly knows what they will do. Please do not forget them.

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GONE BEFORE.

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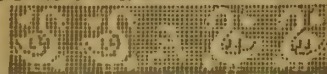
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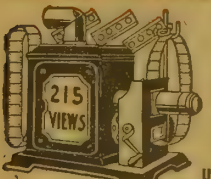


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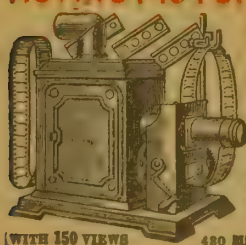


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But ears must hear, and I's must C,
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Who hopes a Y's man e'er to B.

He who is rich may rest in E's,
But all things earthly must DK;
Wisdom succumbs not to DZ's,
Secure it, and B rich for A.
—Elton Sharpe.

A FIRE ALARM.

Morris taught his dog many tricks, one of which was to "talk" at the telephone. When the telephone rang, Carlo would run into the hall, and if it was Mr. Barclay or any one of Morris' friends, he was allowed to "speak" to them. He would bark, just as if he were trying to say, "How are you?"

One day a call came at the telephone office, and when the telephone girl said "Hello!" the only reply was the excited barking of a dog. She knew at once that it was Carlo, but she could not understand why Morris did not answer her. She was so puzzled that she called up Mr. Barclay at his office.

"A call came from your house," she told him, "and I can get no reply; but Carlo is at the 'phone, barking wildly and excitedly."

"Carlo at the telephone!" Mr. Barclay exclaimed. "Why, that is strange, for there is nobody at home. I cannot understand it. Something may be wrong, so I will go right up and see. Thank you for telling me."

Mr. Barclay hurried home as fast as he could, and when he opened the door a rush of smoke greeted him. Carlo was on the chair in front of the telephone, scratching and barking excitedly. Then he knew that the dog had realized that something was wrong when the room filled with smoke, and he had gone to the telephone, where he had "talked" with his master.

THREE FOLLOWERS.

The wily old Hessian sat in his door when three young men passed eagerly by.

"Are you following any one, my sons?" he said.

"I follow after Pleasure," said the eldest.

"And I after Riches," said the second. "Pleasure is only to be found with Riches."

"And you, my little one?" he asked, of the third.

"I follow after Duty," he modestly said. And each went his way.

The aged Hessian in his journey came upon three men.

"My son," he said, to the eldest, "methinks thou wert the youth who was following after Pleasure. Didst thou overtake her?"

"No, father. Pleasure is but a phantom that flies as one approaches."

"Thou didst not follow the right way, my son."

"How didst thou fare?" he asked, of the second.

"Pleasure is not with Riches," he answered.

"And thou?" continued the Hessian, addressing the youngest.

"As I walked with Duty," he replied, "Pleasure walked ever by my side."
"It is always thus," replied the old man. "Pleasure pursued is not overtaken. Only her shadow is caught by him who pursues. She, herself, goes hand in hand with Duty, and they who make Duty their companion have also the companion of Pleasure."—Lutheran Young People.

POLITENESS FOR CHILDREN.

1. To be polite is to have a kind regard for the feelings and rights of others.
2. Be as polite to your parents, brothers, sisters and schoolmates as you are to strangers.
3. Look people fairly in the eyes when you speak to them or they speak to you.
4. Do not bluntly contradict any one.
5. It is not courteous to refuse to do wrong.
6. Whispering, laughing, chewing gum, or eating at lectures, in school, or at places of amusement, is rude and vulgar.
7. Be doubly careful to avoid any rudeness to strangers, such as calling out to them, laughing, or making remarks about them. Do not stare at visitors.
8. In passing a pen, pencil, knife or pointer, hand the blunt end toward the one who receives it.
9. When a classmate is reciting, do not raise your hand until after he has finished.
10. When you pass directly in front of any one or accidentally annoy him, say: "Excuse me," and never fail to say "Thank you" for the smallest favor. On no account say "Thanks."—School Rules of Santa Barbara, California.

A DOG THAT RINGS A FOG BELL.

Off on the coast of Alaska, on a small, rock island, is a little light station. A fog bell is connected with the light station, and when there is a dense fog the bell is used to warn vessels of the danger of coming too near the coast.

The light-keeper has a large shepherd dog, named Carlos. This dog has been trained to toll the fog bell when the weather is bad. So well trained is Carlos, that, when the fog comes, he will rush to the bell and begin to tug at the rope without waiting for his master. Carlos often takes his turn at the bell during the night, when the keeper is busy looking after his light.

"I do not see how I could get along without Carlos," the keeper declared. "I am all alone, and have no other assistant, but I can always rely on my dog. He knows his duty, and faithfully performs it, whether he is told to do so or not."—Apples of Gold.

ROCKABY, BABY.

There are few girls in this country who have not heard the nursery rhyme sung by mother:

"Rockaby, baby, in the tree top;
When the wind blows, the cradle will rock;
When the bough breaks, the cradle will fall,
And down will come cradle, baby and all."

But how many know the origin of these lines? Shortly after our forefathers landed at Plymouth, Mass., a party were out in the field, where the Indian women were picking strawberries. Seven of these women, or squaws, as they are called, had papposes—that is, babies—and, having no cradles, they had tied them up in Indian fashion, hung from the limbs of the surrounding trees. When the wind blew, these cradles would rock. A young man of the party, observing this, peeled off a piece of bark and wrote the above lines. —Girls' Companion.



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Cut from cardboard of delicate gray tint the covers of a book, which shall be nine inches long by four inches wide. Fold in the center, thus making leaves four and one-half by four inches. The cover may be lettered in blue and gold, and the leaves may be tied together with pale blue ribbon. Panel cards decorated with hand-painted forget-me-nots or roses and made appropriate by dainty verses would be very artistic.

The following may serve as suggestions:

"Good morrow to my Valentine."

"The sky hath its star,
The sea hath its pearl,
But all I have
Is my darling girl."

"If thou wilt be my Valentine,
The honeymoon will always shine."

Another valentine is made of two hearts cut from cardboard gilded around the edges and fitted with leaves tied in with gay ribbons, so that the whole may be suspended. Upon the outside heart paint a silhouette of two kneeling cupids, holding aloft a heart, applying to it a torch, and these words printed in gilt letters:

"Love's torch burns forever;
Let its warmth vanish never."

Candies in pretty boxes or in satin and lace bags are charming valentines, also crystallized fruits, cherries, plums, pineapples and oranges. With these send some sweet thought—some words that will linger in memory long after the bonbon vanishes. Such as, "Sweets to the Sweet," "A wilderness of sweet thoughts," "Sweetheart, be my Valentine."

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"To the daintiest and dearest."

"Go, lovely rose, tell her I love her."

"None knew thee but to love thee."

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Aluminum griddles have one advantage over ordinary griddles—they do not have to be greased. All that is needed is a bit of butter in the batter to make the griddle cakes a beautiful golden-brown. These aluminum griddles are light in weight, so they are easily handled, and they are economical affairs, for they require only half the heat that iron griddles do. When used on a gas stove, the flame need be turned on only half way.

Invisible castors without wheels are rapidly supplanting the old-fashioned sort. They are little disks of hardened, highly-polished nickelled steel. Furniture fitted with them will glide easily, silently and smoothly over carpets and floors. No more tiresome and noisy dragging at the furniture, if you have these. They are in different sizes for light and heavy furniture.

Butter knives of wood for kitchen use are in favor now, and their use is the revival of a good old custom. There is nothing that will absorb a metallic taste like butter, and to particular people there

is an advantage in preserving the real good butter flavor. The knives of pure white hollywood do this.

CHEESE DISHES RECOMMENDED.

Those who desire to live well within their food budget should study the combining of cheese with vegetables, cooked or uncooked, in all kinds of savory dishes, the addition of cheese to cakes and cookies and doughs, and the making of cheese dishes. Vegetables with cheese, salads with cheese, and cheese pastries should be used where the rest of the bill of fare is deficient in food value; the cheese dishes should be used as substitutes for meat, eggs or fish.

The cost of cheese has been summed up in a United States department bulletin as follows: "A pound of cheese has nearly the same food value as two pounds of fresh beef or any other fresh meat as food; it is worth more than a pound of ham, and it is equal to two pounds of eggs or three pounds of fish. In price good cheese made from unskimmed milk costs about a third more than round steak and twice as much as the cheaper boiling beef, while it costs practically the same per pound as smoked ham or bacon. It costs usually a third more than fresh fish."

BEDROOM SLIPPERS.

A quick way to make a pair of wool bedroom slippers is to purchase a pretty shade of eiderdown and have a neat pattern for shaping them. All pattern houses sell patterns for such. As a finishing touch these slippers may have deep slits cut around the top, and these are worked like any ordinary buttonhole and threaded with wide satin ribbon. Instead of the usual bow at the front, the tab reaching over the instep may be decorated with a shaggy rosette made of silk or yarn. If yarn is used, wind it around a cord, slip it off, tie through the center and clip the ends to make a perfect ball. Use soles the same as for crocheted slippers. When worn, remove them, get the size and cut new soles from buckram and cover with flannel or cloth. Eiderdown may be put on the inside.

WHEN LAMP FAILS.

When a lamp fails to give a good light there is a cause for it, and in ninety cases out of one hundred the difficulty rests with the one whose duty it is to care for the lamp, rather than with the lamp itself.

If the wick of the oil lamp is too short, is crowded, or is cut unevenly, the lamp will not give a perfect light. The top of the wick should be rubbed off every day after it is used. A piece of blotting paper is excellent for this; it removes the charred particles from the wick and does not break the threads, which cutting often will do.

A boiling of the wick and burner in vinegar and water will clear it up wonderfully. Plenty of time must be allowed for the wick to dry thoroughly.

LARGE NEEDLE AIDS IN DARNING.

A very essential thing to consider in darning is the needle, which should always be large enough to carry the thread easily. If the eye of the needle is too small, the thread will gather into a knot at the eye. This will prevent the work from being smooth and even, and besides there will be the difficulty of pulling the needle through the goods.

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If the goods to be mended is old, baste a piece of old material under it and take the stitches through the old piece underneath the goods.

A rapid way to mend undergarments that are becoming worn is to stitch with the sewing machine back and forth in parallel lines, then turn the goods and run stitches at right angles to those already taken.

OYSTERS STEWED.

When next creaming oysters or when making an oyster stew, first cook the oysters in a pan with a little butter and lemon juice, until they are plumped and the gills begin to crinkle, says the Baltimore Sun. Then use them as one would ordinarily. This preliminary cooking greatly adds to the flavor of the dish. In making oyster stew the usual proportions are half a dozen large oysters to a cupful of milk, a level tablespoonful of butter, and salt and pepper to season.

CRANBERRY SAUCE.

Many people like cranberries served without seeds and skin, but find cutting each berry a tedious process. The same result can be obtained by putting the berries through the food chopper. This breaks each berry and cuts the skin into small bits, giving the sauce a better appearance.

HOME HELPS.

An excellent way of cleaning a kettle is to boil potato peelings in it over a slow fire.

When next serving lemon with tea, add a little orange marmalade to each cup; the flavor is delicious.

Graham crackers toasted and spread with butter and then with a bit of fruit syrup makes a delicious sweet.

When enamelware becomes black and discolored, scour it with plain vinegar. This makes it look almost new.

Mix the stove polish with rich soap-suds and it will give a higher luster and the particles of polish will not fly.

In boiling meats, do not put in the meat till the water boils furiously, and then allow twenty minutes' boiling for every pound of meat.

To keep flannel from shrinking, put the article to be washed in cold water and let it soak for half an hour, then wash in the usual manner.

When gilded picture frames become tarnished, take the water in which onions have been boiled, dip a soft rag into it, and wipe over the frames lightly.

When I make lemon meringue pie and desire a sugar coat on it, I find it excellent to sift powdered sugar over the top before it is placed in the oven. Have the latter cool.

If, after blanching almonds, they are dropped into the well-beaten white of an egg and then sprinkled with salt and browned in the oven, they will have a glossy surface.

To iron a shirt-waist begin with the collar band, then iron the cuffs. Next do the sleeves (a ten-cent sleeve board will be of the greatest help), and then the back. The left front comes next, and lastly the right front. This, of course, when the waist closes in the front. When closed in the back, the center front is ironed last.

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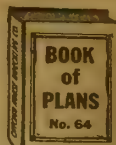
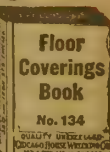
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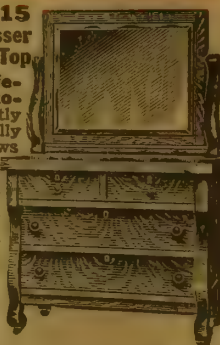


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Beet Salad—Boil red beets whole, in salt water, until tender, drain, peel whole, scoop out small sections from the top to form baskets; cover with half vinegar and half water poured over hot, with a little sugar dissolved in the mixture. Fill with half carrots and half peas, which have been boiled, drained and placed in French dressing to get thoroughly chilled on ice before serving. A ring of shredded lettuce placed around the beet basket completes a picturesque salad.

German Apple Tart—One pound of flour, half a pound of butter, one egg, one teaspoonful of cinnamon. Rub the butter into the flour, add the cinnamon and the unbeaten egg to make a paste without using water. Roll out and place, without breaking, in a buttered tin. Put a thin, narrow strip of paste around the sides of the tin, and fill with dried apples cooked to a pulp. Cover with the paste as for a pie, pinching the edges together, making openings for the escape of steam. Bake, and serve hot with cream. Delicious!

German Salad—Cook salt herring in boiling water fifteen minutes, drain; cool and separate into flakes. Add an equal quantity of small, cold boiled potato cubes and one-fourth the quantity of chopped hard-boiled eggs. Marinate with a French dressing. Cover and let stand in a cold place one hour. Beat one-fourth cupful of heavy cream until stiff and add two tablespoonfuls of canned pimentoes forced through a puree strainer; then add an equal quantity of mayonnaise dressing. Moisten the mixture with dressing and serve on lettuce leaves.

Egg Pudding—Put one quart of milk in a double boiler and let come to a boil; mix nine tablespoonfuls of flour with one pint of cold milk and stir into the boiling milk, and let remain on the fire until well cooked. Beat the yolks of one dozen eggs, six tablespoonfuls of sugar and three of melted butter. Take the boiler from the fire, and stir in the eggs, sugar, etc.; beat the whites of the eggs and stir in. Butter a pudding dish, pour in the mixture, set the dish in a pan of hot water, and bake one hour in a moderately hot oven. Serve with lemon sauce.

Apple Omelet—Strain the juice from a cupful of stewed dried apples, season with a very little cinnamon and lemon juice, beat with a fork until perfectly smooth and free from lumps, and while still warm add the beaten yolks of three eggs, then fold in the stiffly-beaten whites of eggs, to which a pinch of salt has been added. Have a well-buttered omelet pan very hot, put in the mixture, and cook on the stove for two or three minutes, then place in a fairly hot oven until it feels firm and spongy when pressed and is a delicate brown. It may take from five to eight minutes. Fold and serve at once on a hot platter.

Chocolate Biscuits with Jam—Beat up five egg yolks with eight tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar, add one-half teaspoonful of vanilla and one saltspoonful of salt. Beat up the whites to a stiff froth and add to the yolks with six tablespoonfuls of sifted flour, folding lightly in. Have a square buttered pastry pan lined with buttered paper, drop in the preparation, neatly smooth the top, sprinkle a little powdered sugar over and bake in a moderate oven twenty-five minutes. Remove, let cool off, turn cake on a clean board and spread three tablespoonfuls of raspberry jam over the top. Prepare a chocolate glaze, spread evenly over the jam and let cool off. Cut the cake into even pieces, place on a dish, set in the oven for a few seconds, remove and serve.

A Good Way to Serve Eggs—Boil for half an hour as many eggs as there are people to be served. For four people, put one pint of milk in a double boiler, and when it gets hot add a small piece of butter, and pepper and salt to taste. Thicken it with one tablespoonful of corn starch dissolved in a little cold milk. Prepare small slices of bread; allow two for each person, or cut one large slice into two pieces, and, after trimming off the crusts, toast it lightly, and butter it. Lay it on warm plates and place it in the hot closet of the range. Separate the whites and yolks of the eggs. Chop up the whites, salt them, and add them to a cream dressing. Pour some of the dressing over the slices of hot toast, grate the egg yolks, and sprinkle them over the whole. Serve at once. This attractive method of serving eggs can be more conveniently followed if two people prepare the separate parts, but the dish can be successfully made by one.—South's Companion.

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Aunt Jane's Page

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And it sings its song to me.
Every drop is full of gladness,
Every leaf's adrip in the rain;
Oh, the rain shower is but a song shower,
And its song is free from pain.
—Mary Elizabeth Ceaney, Kansas.

Desserts of whipped cream

Whipped cream desserts are so dainty, light and frothy that they are ideal for warm-weather eating. They should never be served too generously. A big pile of home-made charlotte russe on a dessert plate is overwhelming; a little placed daintily in a long-stemmed dessert glass is inviting.

As time goes on and prices go up, whipping cream is harder and harder to get. Generally in the country, however, it is a possibility in the summer.

If you have planned a whipped cream dessert, and cannot get the cream, either because it is scarce or its price is prohibitive, there are several substitutes that you can use in its place.

A thin custard can be substituted in many desserts for the cream. Make this custard of half a pint of milk, beaten with the yolks of two eggs. Put it over the fire in a double boiler and stir it constantly until it is thick and creamy. Cool it and use in place of the whipped cream.

Another substitute is made from the white of egg. Beat it well, until it is stiff. Then remove the beater and slowly pour over the egg a little very hot water. This cooks the egg a little, and makes it much like cream.

Whipped white of egg, of course, can be satisfactorily mixed with whipped cream to increase its bulk, and perhaps this is the best way of using a substitute for whipped cream—mixing a little of it with egg white to make a lot.

Charlotte russe is one of the most easily made whipped cream desserts. Now that good lady fingers are sold in paper packages that can be freshly kept on hand a week, if they are left unopened, this dessert can be classed among emergency dishes if cream is procurable.

To make good charlotte russe, line tall-stemmed glass sherbet cups with halved lady fingers. If you want to vary the dish, sprinkle them with chopped nuts.

Then whip the cream, sweeten it slightly and add a little vanilla. Lighten it with beaten white of egg, and pile a couple of tablespoonfuls of it in each cup. The cream, of course, should be very cold when it is whipped.

This is another easily made cream dessert: Beat a pint of cream and four ounces of powdered sugar with the grated rind of three lemons and the juice of one until they are thick. Let this cream stand for twenty-four hours in a cool place, drain it and serve.

Almost any fruit becomes a fine dessert simply by the addition of whipped cream. Take peaches, for instance. Pit them and cut them in rather thick sections. Pile the sections from a peach or two in a glass, sprinkle them with granulated sugar and top with a tablespoonful of slightly sweetened whipped cream, flavored with vanilla.

An easy way to vary usual gelatin-made jellies is to pour half the jelly in a mold and mix an equal amount of whipped cream with the other half just before it hardens. Then pour the mixture into the mold and let the whole harden.

Chocolate blanc mange, too, can be improved with whipped cream added before it has hardened. Mix half the chocolate mixture, as soon as it has cooled, with an equal amount of whipped cream. Pour this into a mold, and on top of it put the plain chocolate. Serve with plain thin cream.

Dishes washed but once a day

It is astonishing to think that after centuries of housekeeping women should continue to wash dishes in the same old way. The mother of a girl who finished her college course last spring sends in this excellent plan by which she and her daughter contrived to lighten their household duties greatly. In the first place, it is a family of four and they wash dishes only once a day—in the morning. After each meal the dishes are held under the spigot—the hot one if they are very greasy. They are then stacked carefully in a large wooden box which stands on the table conveniently near the sink. The lid is closed, the rest of the kitchen put in order, the pots are put to soak in an inconspicuous place and the "co-operative housekeepers" are free to spend the afternoon or evening pleasantly.

After breakfast, when plenty of hot water is at hand, they begin washing the glass and silver in a big dish pan of sudsy water. These are rinsed and dried; the rest of the dishes are washed, set in wire racks that one can get in department stores for that purpose, and thoroughly scalded with hot water that comes directly from the spigot through a short

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It certainly is a pleasure to see and eat from those beautiful shiny dishes. Of course, there were left the pots and pans, which had to be scrubbed and dried. But that isn't a bad job if one is not already tired out with drying and packing away numerous small lots of dishes. To be sure, it takes a great many dishes, but then no one thinks of washing the clothes every day because it takes a lot to keep going all week. After all, if with proper organization one can get well done, all at once, whatever work is really necessary, why stick to an antiquated method?

For Sunday supper

For a change on Sunday night try this salad: Marinate with your favorite thin salad dressing three-quarters of a pint of any cold meat or fish (never mix meat and fish), two tablespoonfuls of capers, one egg boiled hard and chopped, one tablespoonful each of olives, dill pickles and pimientos, two dashes of paprika, celery salt to taste; stir well. Serve cold in two hours on lettuce leaves garnished around the edges with slices of hard-boiled egg, sprig of parsley and thin slices of Swiss cheese.

Another supper dish is made of one pint of macaroni measured after boiling, which is about one-third of a package, one-half pint of stewed tomatoes, to which are added two bouillon cubes, one gill of grated rich cheese, two tablespoonfuls of chipped bacon and one of bacon fat, one tablespoonful of minced onion, one tablespoonful of chopped parsley; salt and pepper to taste. Rub a baking dish with bacon fat, mix all ingredients thoroughly, put them into the baking dish, and brown in a hot oven.

Both dishes are satisfactory served with graham toast.

Brown sauce

Brown sauce, for use with meat and vegetables, can be made in this way: Melt a teaspoonful of butter in an iron frying pan. Brown it without burning it and then add a rounded tablespoonful of flour. Stir the mixture until it is very brown. Then add a cupful of hot meat stock, made by stewing any scraps of meat with a few left-over vegetables. Cook until smooth and then season with salt, pepper, a little catchup and a few chopped mushrooms.

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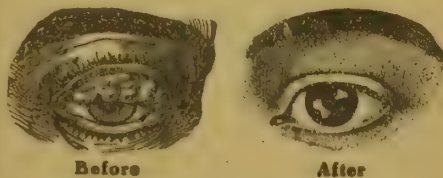
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THE RIVALS

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roundings. A hundred years ago Nancy and Betty Sherman, now sleeping forgotten in mossy, grass-grown graves on a hill that slopes down to the moaning St. Lawrence Gulf, had the pick of five counties to their hands. Not one of the blue-eyed, fresh-faced Scotch and English lassies, the Jeans and Kates and Margarets, could for a moment compare with them. They were envied bitterly enough, no doubt, and caused many a long-forgotten heartache. Yet the fault was not theirs—they made no effort to win or retain the homage offered them. The boldest lover never boasted of favors received. A kindly word or a gracious smile was all that any ever won, and was esteemed enough. Even Donald Fraser could but own to himself that Nancy was as likely to say "no" as "yes." She had said it calmly and sweetly to better men. Well, he would face the question bravely—and if he were refused— "Neil will have the laugh on me then. Sure, and he's sleeping well. And the snow is coming soon. There'll be a bonny swirl on the bay ere long. I hope no harm will come to the lad if he starts to cross. When he wakes he'll be in such a fine Highland temper that he'll never stop to think of danger. Well, Bess, my girl, here we are at last. Now, Donald Fraser, pluck up heart, and play the man. Remember you're a Scotchman, with a dash of old Ireland to boot, and never flinch because a slip of a lass looks scornful at you out of the bonniest dark blue eyes on earth."

In spite of his bold words, however, Donald's heart was thumping furiously when he drove into the farm yard. Nancy was there, milking a cow by the stable door, but she stood up when she saw him coming, grasping her pail with one hand, and holding the other out to him in the gracious, untroubled way for which she was noted. Haloed by the sunset light that was flinging its rosy splendors over all the wide white wastes around them, the girl was so beautiful that Donald's courage failed him almost completely. Was it not the wildest presumption to hope that this exquisite creature could care for him or would come to be the mistress of his little house—she, who was fit for a king's halls? In all the humility of a true lover he stood before her, and Nancy, looking into his bonny face, understood with woman's instinct why he had come. A color and light that was not of the sunset crept into her face and eyes. She did not withdraw her hand from his grasp, but she turned her face aside and bent her head.

Donald knew that he must make the most of this unexpected chance. He might not see Nancy alone again before Neil came. Clasp both of his hands over the slender one he held, he said, breathlessly, "Nan, lass, I love you. You may think 'tis a hasty wooing, but that's a story I can tell you later, maybe. I know well I'm not worthy of you, but if true love could make a man worthy there'd be none before me. Will you have me, Nan?"

Nancy's head in its crimson shawl drooped lower still. For a moment Donald endured an agony of suspense. Then he heard her answer—oh, such a low, sweet answer—and he knew that she was won!

The snow was beginning to fall when they walked together to the house. Don-

ald looked over the bay, misty white in the gathering gloom, and laughed lightly heartedly. "I must tell you that story, my lass," he said, catching Nancy's look of wonder, "and you'll see what a trick I played on my best friend to win you."

And tell it he did, with such inimitable drollery and such emphasized brogue that Nancy could but laugh as heartily as he did. She was not proof against the humor of the situation even amid the sweeter romance of it.

When morning broke, the storm was over, and Donald knew that vengeance must be on his track. Not wishing to make the Sherman house the scene of a quarrel, he resolved to get away before Neil came, and he persuaded Nancy to drive with him to the county town, some ten miles away, for a "calie." As he brought Neil's sleigh up to the door, he saw a black speck far out on the bay, and laughed. "Black Dan goes well, but he'll not be quick enough," he said, as he helped Nancy in.

Half an hour later Neil Campbell, with a blackly bent brow and a fire in his blue eyes that was woe to see, dismounted from his smoking horse at the Shermans' door, and strode into the kitchen. Had Donald Fraser been there, the comedy might shortly have been turned into a tragedy, for there was blood fury in Campbell's heart and eyes. But the wily rival was far away, and the kitchen was empty. Neil stood and chafed at the door until Mrs. Sherman came down the rude stairs from the loft above. At sight of Campbell she started in surprise, for though many a wooer came to her house they did not usually come so early in the day, but she came forward to meet him in a gracious manner.

"Good morning, Mr. Campbell. 'Tis a fair day after the storm, but a cold. Come nearer to the fire."

Neil felt his blind fury ebbing away before this woman of the queenlike presence and pale, sorrowful face, so little in keeping with the rude, low room. Mrs. Sherman always imposed a sense of deference upon the person to whom she spoke. Neil could not bring himself to demand of her where Donald Fraser or Nancy was. Yet he must say something. "Where is Betty the morning?" he asked, trying to speak calmly, although his voice shook.

On being told that she had gone to the well for a pail of water, he went out, vowing that he would discover from her the whereabouts of his false friend.

Betty Sherman saw him coming across the snow, and stood up erectly beside the well with a smile on her face. Her lips parted, and her breath fluttered over them quickly. She put up her slender brown hands, and nervously caught the crimson fringes of her knitted shawl together under her chin, while into her eyes leaped a strange light of fear and passion, and some undefined emotion that strove to conquer the other two.

As far as feature and bearing went, Nancy and Betty Sherman looked marvelously alike. Yet so different were they in coloring, and more than all, in expression, that they were scarcely held to resemble each other. The hair that lay in skeins of silken fairness on Nancy's white forehead rippled off from Betty's in locks as richly brown as October nuts. The misty purple of Nan's eyes was so dark and deep in Betty's as to be almost black; and while Nancy was oftener pale than not, a dusky red always glowed in Betty's cheeks, and deepened to scarlet

in the curves of a very sweet, very scornful mouth. As for their expression, Nancy was always gracious and charming, while Betty's was mocking and maddening.

Though Betty had many lovers, they were afraid of her. Her tongue was a sharp and unsparing one, and she satirized them to their faces. Woe betide the rash youth with a squint or a stutter who came courting Betty Sherman! And even those who had no defect of person or manner fared little better. Yet come they did, for there was that about the girl that held a man though she treated him as the dust under her feet.

When Neil Campbell had first come to the cottage on the bay shore it had been Betty whom he came to see. In those days he had thought Nan by far the less bonny. But Betty, always cruel to her suitors, was doubly so to Neil. She mimicked his Highland accent, mocked at his Highland ways, and laughed at his shyness as "Highland pride." Neil, believing his suit hopeless, left the scornful maid to her own devices, and was gradually drawn into the train of Nancy's lovers, soon to become the most devoted of them. Thenceforth Betty had treated him with unvarying indifference, although generally she was as merciless to Nancy's lovers as to her own. Neil felt that his humiliation would be doubly bitter from Betty's probable railing, but in his passionate anger—an anger that quite overmastered the sting of baffled love—he did not care what she might say.

"Good morning, Mr. Campbell," said Betty's silver-clear voice as he came up to her. "It's early abroad you are. And on Black Dan, no less! Was I mistaken in thinking that Donald Fraser said that his favorite horse should never be backed by any man but him? But doubtless a fair exchange is no robbery, and Brown Bess goes well and fleetly."

"Where is Donald Fraser?" said Neil, thickly. "It is him I am seeking, and it is him I will be finding. Where is he, Betty Sherman?"

"Donald Fraser is far enough away by this," said Betty, lightly. "He is a prudent fellow, that Donald, and has some quickness of wit under that sandy thatch of his. He came here last night at sunset with a horse and sleigh not his own or lately gotten, and he asked Nan in the stable yard to marry him. Did a man ask me to marry him while I was at the cow's side with my milking pail in my hand, 'tis a cold answer he'd get for his pains. But Nan was ever o'erfond of Donald, and 'tis kindly she must have answered him, for they sat late together last night, and 'twas a bonny story that Nan wakened me to hear when she came to bed—the story of a braw lover who let his secret out when the whisky was abune the wit, and then fell asleep while his rival was away to woo and win his lass. Did you ever hear a like story, Mr. Campbell?"

Neil clenched his fists. "Oh, yes," he said, fiercely, "it is laughing at me over the country side that Donald Fraser will be doing, and telling that story! But when I meet him it is not laughing he will be doing! Oh, no! There will be another story to tell!"

"What will ye do to him?" cried Betty, in alarm. "Don't meddle with the man. Now, what a state to be in because a slip of a good-looking lass prefers sandy hair and gray eyes to Highland black and blue! You have not the spirit of a wren,

Neil Campbell. Were I you, I would show Donald Fraser that I could woo and win a maid as speedily as any Lowlander of them all, that would I! There's many a girl would say 'yes' gladly for your asking. I know one myself, as bonny as Nan if folks say true, who would think herself a proud and happy woman if you looked kindly on her, and would love you as well as Nan loves her Donald—aye, and ten times better!"

Betty's eyes went crimson, and her eyes faltered down to the pail at her feet.

"And who may it be, Betty?" asked Neil after a brief silence.

Betty did not answer in words. She came a step nearer, and put one hand on Neil's shoulder, with her head still drooping, but looking up at him with her eyes, and an expression, half defiant, half yielding, wholly captivating, that answered as plainly as words.

Neil took the two cold hands in his. "If this be so, lass," he said, gently, "why did you mock at me so when I came first?"

"What simpletons men are," pouted Betty. "Why, 'twas because I liked you best, to be sure!"

Then suddenly she sprang away from him with flushing cheeks and clouded eyes. "Oh, what must you think of me?" she cried. "Bold—unmaidenly—that is what you will call me, and truly. But when I saw you coming—and I had loved you so long! 'What,' thought I, 'to lose all for want of one little bold word!' 'Twas hard to speak, but I have spoken it, and now you will despise me."

She clasped her hands, and stood meekly before him with her face hanging on her breast. Neil came nearer, and drew her into his arms.

"Thank you for that word," he said, simply. "Betty, it was you that I liked best at first, and if you will marry me it is a good husband I will try to make you, and a proud and happy man I'll be."

Betty looked up at him with eyes where tenderness and mischief were mingled. "Then maybe Donald Fraser will not do so much laughing, after all," she said. "Look you, Neil. Leave me to manage this. When Nan comes back I'll say to her, 'Nan, is Donald so very sure that Neil Campbell said your name when he told of his errand? 'Tis a mistake your Lowlander has made, sister.' And then I will tell her how you came this morning and asked me to marry you, though 'twas I that did the asking, was it not? But I'll not tell her that."

INSIGNIFICANT EXISTENCE.

There are a number of us creep
Into this world to eat and sleep;
And know no reason why we're born,
But only to consume the corn,
Devour the cattle, fowl and fish,
And leave behind an empty dish.
The crows and ravens do the same—
Unlucky birds of hateful name;
Ravens or crows might fill their place,
And swallow corn and carcasses,
Then if their tombstones, when they die,
Be't taught to flatter and to lie,
There's nothing better will be said
Than that "they've eat up all their bread,
Drunk up their drink, and gone to bed."
—Isaac Watts.

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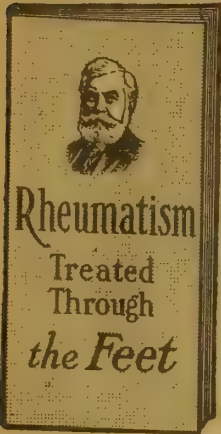
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THE TWO VALENTINES

(Continued from page 21)

husky young chap like me to help you with the farm? I've learned that the city is no place for me. I guess that I'm not quick enough or bright enough, or too independent to keep up with the procession there. Anyhow, I don't want to be an underling in an office for years and years, with men who care for nothing but their neckties, the theater and the almighty dollar! Give me the blue sky, green grass, the smell of new-plowed ground and outdoor freedom!"

"Same here!" said his sister, with a nod of her curly head.

"But, Sally dear, what about the book you were goin' to write?" her mother asked.

"Oh, I'll write that, never fear! Only it'll be a sweet, woodsy book, not a stuffy, city hall bedroom book!"—the clear voice had a ring of determination in it. "And while I am waiting and thinking and studying about what to write, I'm going to pitch in and help my mother so she won't have to work so hard. And Abel's going to help father. Oh, we two have had a good, sensible talk together. We haven't laid aside our ambitions—no, indeed; we've only put them on a better foundation and we don't mean to have them spoiled in the beginning by a bit of mean selfishness. So we've come back. We meant to surprise you, though we really expected to get here earlier, but that old train was delayed at the Junction. But we've gotten here. I thought you'd like us better than paper valentines with roses and cupids; don't you, mother?"

Mrs. Allen did not answer. She reached out her hand and grasped her husband's, and, as she gazed up into his face with her shining eyes, she exclaimed: "Do you hear what these children say? Let us bless God for his goodness unto us."

FEBRUARY.

February winds do blow,

'Round we see the drifts of snow,

And a cold and dreary month as a whole;

'Cept the fourteenth's rather cheery,

When some folks are saying "dearie,"

Then gladsome feelings do pervade the soul.

—Albert E. Vassar, St. Louis.

WHITE ANIMALS.

In Siam white elephants become the property of the King and are kept at the palace because of the good luck they are supposed to bring with them. A writer in the Assembly Herald tells of the arrival at Bangkok of a young white elephant from the north. "At the same time a small white monkey, caught in northern jungles, was also presented to the King. His Majesty gave the sum of \$190 as a gift to the owner of this strange little monkey. The little fellow is full of life and mischief and is now on exhibition, together with the young elephant, in a beautiful large pavilion especially built for them."

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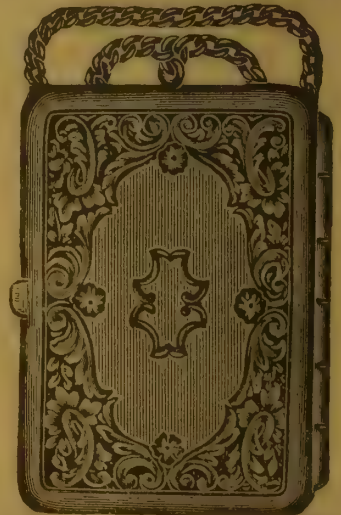
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Composed of 16 letters.

My 4, 8, 13, 9, is what beggars and tramps wear.

My 11, 9, is a verb.

My 2 and 3 are vowels.

My 11, 12, 16, is another name for a hotel.

My 6, 5, 1, 9, is something we eat that have shells over them.

My 7, 10, 8, 14, is a relative pronoun.

My 15 is an exclamation.

My WHOLE is the name of a former President of the United States.

—Forrest Christy, Ohio.

No. 2—DIAMOND

1. A letter from Colorado. 2. A kind of carriage. 3. A devotional song. 4. An aromatic plant. 5. A turbulent fellow. 6. A narrative poem. 7. A letter from New York.

—Ruthven, Maine.

No. 3—SQUARE

1. A state. 2. Above. 3. A verb in past tense. 4. Superficial contents.

—Susan Day, Iowa.

No. 4—HIDDEN GIRLS' NAMES

1. They broke the blue vase.
2. We saw Jack at Edwin's house.
3. The earache lasted a long time.
4. He told them mama was ill.
5. Please tell Boyd or Arthur to come.
6. Mama, rye bread is not good.
7. The rhinoceros, elephant and horse are large animals.

John Smith owned a dairy.

—Miss Hilda Shannon, Ohio.

No. 5—SQUARE

1. A domestic animal. 2. Mountains in Euro-Asia. 3. A bird. 4. Game animals.

—Mrs. J. J. Banta, Missouri.

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ANSWERS TO DECEMBER PUZZLES

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No. 2—

NEAR
ELMO
AMID
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No. 3—E's, J's, B's, C's, Y's, I's, Q's, U's, P's.

No. 4—

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S

No. 5—Portland. George-town. Virginia City.

DECEMBER AWARDS

Best list of answers, Gerhard Gilbertson, Route 3, Newark, Ill.; second best list, Mrs. W. W. Brown, Great River, N. Y.; third best list, Miss Frances Puckett, 1310 Mound Street, Portsmouth, Ohio.

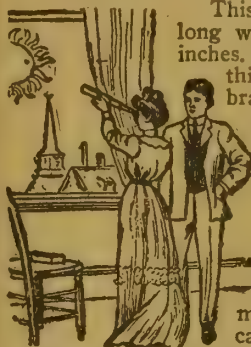
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"I wonder why Amy is so long answering my letter?"

"Why, you know she's married now."
"But she could write just the same."
"Oh, she probably did write—and gave the letter to her husband."

"How does Dorfling stand in this community?"

"Old Bill Dorfling?"

"Yes."
"Why, he makes about as much noise in this community as the letter 'B' does in the word 'debt'."

"Have you decided what appointment you will ask for?"

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IN THE GRAND STAND.

One day a little girl by the name of Jeanette witnessed a great army review in Germany. Thousands upon thousands of spectators crowded round the stand, before which the emperor was to watch the passing regiments. While Jeanette was seated in the stand she saw an old, feeble woman trying to get where she could see. The little German girl said to herself, "It is not right for me to sit here when I am strong and well and can stand, while the poor woman can see nothing." Then she gave up her seat to the old lady and went and stood in the crowd. But while little Jeanette was standing upon her tiptoes, trying in vain to see, a courtier of the emperor, covered with gold lace, elbowed his way to her side, and said, "Little girl, her majesty would be pleased to see you in the royal box."

When the abashed girl stood before the emperor, she graciously said, "Come here, my daughter, and sit with me. I saw you give up your seat to that old woman, and now you must remain by my side."

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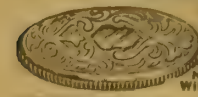
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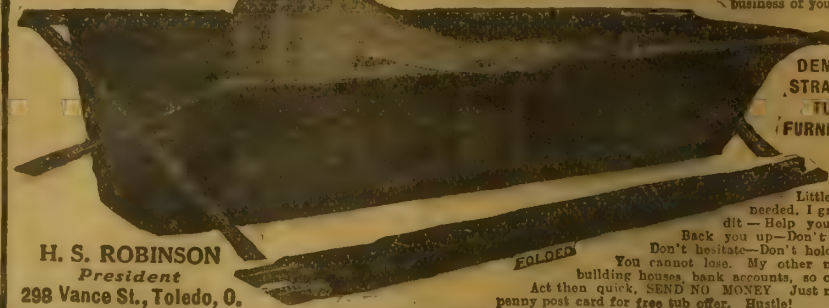


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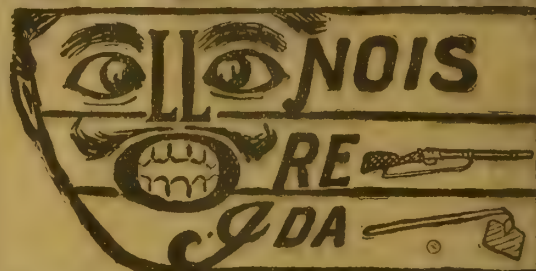
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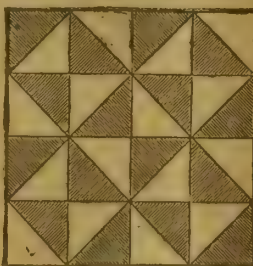
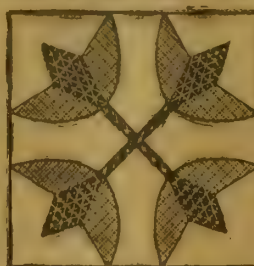


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The Back Door of Her Heart

By MAY C. RINGWALT

There was a suspicious newness about them both—a newness in her blue tailor-made gown and stylish brown turban, with its mottled breast nestling against her fluffy light hair, and in his gray traveling suit and jaunty red necktie; a newness in her shining valise and in his resplendent dress-suit case; and, above all, a newness in her happy smiles and in his bashful glances. And when he tossed his overcoat on the opposite seat of the section, and some very new rice suddenly flaked the aisle of the car, there was an audible titter in the air of the Pullman.

The man turned a burning face to the woman's crimson one, and, hanging their heads, they abjectly giggled.

"I suppose, Polly," he said, "that everybody has to be a fool once in a lifetime, and it's our turn now."

Her downcast blue eyes demurely peeped up into his adoring ones. "Don't you think, Dan," she whispered, "that being fools is pleasant?"

The next evening the bride excitedly fastened the fur cape that her husband's clumsy fingers had awkwardly placed on her shoulders, and impatiently watched the porter as he stood, valise and dress-suit case in hand, waiting for the train to stop at a station out in the plains.

"It looks more cheerful in the daytime," said Dan, encouragingly, as the train left them shivering on a forlorn platform.

After the bright sleeper, night surrounded them like the walls of a tunnel, with the tiny window of the station for a signal light. As they groped their way along, the station door opened, and an old man hobbled out on a crutch.

"Dan Norris for a fact!" he cried, gleefully waving a lantern. "Dan and the little gal he's married! According to my chart, I was to be on the wharf when the bride docked, but that blooming fire went plumb out, and there I was piling coal into the durned stove like a stoker when she floated into port."

"Never mind, Cap," said Dan, good-naturedly; "we'll take the will for the deed this time."

"Cap's a character!" exclaimed Dan ten minutes later, when he slammed the rickety door of the loose-jointed hack, and contentedly sank back on the seat.

"It seems to me," said Polly, with great dignity, "that he was familiar—calling you by your first name, and all."

"Oh," replied Dan, "you mustn't mind that. I'm Dan Norris to everybody here."

The young bride sat erect. "I've no intention of being 'Polly Norris,' and they may as well understand it!"

Dan smiled. "You'll change your mind. Our little farms cuddle so together, we've grown up like one family. Had I been

running a tremendous ranch further West, I'd hardly have dared to bring you from the city, Polly, but I knew that they wouldn't let you be lonesome here."

"Look, Polly!" cried Dan, after a tender silence. "We're passing Judge Hittell's place. The house cost ten thousand dollars. And over there is the steeple of the church."

Later they rattled over several blocks of cobblestones, then, turning from the dimly lighted streets, the creaking hack lurched into inky darkness.

"We're beyond the city limits now," exclaimed Dan. "The road was muddy before it froze, so there are ruts."

Polly clasped her hands. "Dan, what is happening?" she gasped. The vehicle seemed to stand suddenly on its head, while water splashed against a window.

"We're just fording the river," said Dan, complacently. "There, we're up the bank all right. It's nothing more than wading a creek now, but in the spring you have to step lively! Cattle are drowned every year. We'll have a bridge some fine day. See the light over there,

same block without a speaking acquaintance. These whom she loved had approached her by a long flight of social steps, and conventional ringings for admittance to her intimacy, and she secretly resented as an impertinence the attempt of these country people to walk uncereemoniously in at the back door of her heart. Her present neighbors came to see her in the mornings, when her nervous hands were busy over unaccustomed household tasks, and watched, suggested and advised until she could have cheerfully committed murder. They dropped, in, uninvited guests at dinner, when the baked custard was watery or the mayonnaise curdled. They brought their babies to spend the afternoon, and delivered orations on teething and colic.

Had she been a woman who cried out at the smart of each heartburning, her misery would have worn less upon her; but she had the proud, sweet nature that suffers and smiles. But sometimes a placid mountain lake hides a volcano, and when the day of reckoning comes, and the sealed lips of the waters open, the earth is rent with words of fire.

The long winter slowly slipped away in melting snowdrifts, and spring came reluctantly in torrents of rain.

The kitchen fire had smoked and smoldered that morning, and Polly was late with breakfast. With eyes on the clock, Dan had gulped his coffee, and got up from the table without finishing his eggs and bacon.

"Confound it!" he exclaimed, as he hastened into his mackintosh, "this button's never been sewed on!"

Polly dropped the piece of toast that she was eating, and ran to her work box. Threading a needle as she crossed the room, she hurried to the rescue. "I won't be a second, Dan. You needn't even take it off. It's too bad! I forgot about the button, but I have so many interruptions." Her hand sewed with nervous haste. "Oh," she cried, with a hysterical little laugh, as she cut the thread, "I've sewed it through your overcoat!"

"I don't see anything amusing about it!" said Dan, irritably. "Next time I'll sew it on myself!"

There was a light in her eyes, and a peculiar smile on her tightly pressed lips, but she finished her task, and went back to the table without speaking.

"Oh, Polly," said Dan, pleasantly, as he stamped on his rubber boots, "I almost forgot to tell you. Tom Blake said last night that he's going to be away on business for a couple of weeks, and I invited his mother to stay with us." He smilingly glanced at his wife. A weariness on her white face reproachfully recalled his impatient words. "It will be

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"One more turn," cried Dan, "and we'll be in sight of home." He waited, his face flattened against the carriage window; then he uttered an exclamation of delighted surprise. "Polly! It's all lit up—they must be giving us a house-warming."

"Tonight, Dan? Must I meet them tonight?" There was a catch in her voice, and her head drooped against his shoulder. "Dan, everything is so new and strange, and I'm so—tired."

It had been a superstition of Polly's childhood that whenever she was punished on Sunday "a naughty, bad debble" held sway over the rest of her week, and the torment of the "public" home-coming that night seemed to rule all the dreary winter days that followed.

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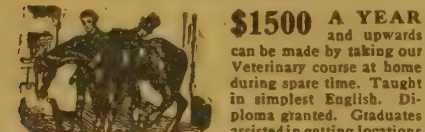
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The white face flushed crimson. "She shan't come! Do you understand, Dan? I won't have her!"

"What do you mean?" he asked, sternly.

Polly got up from the table, and with shaking hands began to gather together the clattering dishes. "I mean," said she, in a low, tense voice, "that I hate Mrs. Blake. I mean that I wish that I'd never seen her, nor any one else in this miserable place!" She turned, and measured him with a glance of rage. "That I wish that I'd never seen you!"

He stood stunned, blankly staring into space.

"I thought that you were in a hurry," she taunted.

He went out, and slammed the door.

She sank down in her chair, the little pile of dishes still held in her hands. The rain lashed the house—or was it a demon beating her heart? She sprang up, and in a frenzy hurried through her household tasks. Then she wearily dragged herself up the stairs, flung herself upon the bed, and instantly fell into a deep sleep.

She was half awakened by a vague, far-away noise which, as her mind stumbled on into complete consciousness, grew into an imperative knocking at the kitchen door. Involuntarily she sprang up—then quietly laid down. Dan had gone to town until evening, she would have this one day to herself.

But she could not sleep again. The wild sweep of the storm was spent, but the slow, perpetual dropping of the rain upon the roof tortured her. Her strained nerves fancied strange sounds—the raising of a window, footsteps on the side porch, a murmur of voices. Distracted, she rose, and reluctantly started down the front stairs.

Toward the end of the flight she paused, proudly drawing herself up. In the lower hall stood Mrs. Blake.

"We rang, and we knocked," said the intruder, in a low voice. "I'm glad that you weren't out, after all."

"May I inquire how you got in?" There was an indignant flash in Polly's eyes.

"We forced open the dining-room window, and unlocked the side door," she explained hastily. "My dear child—" Her voice broke, and she silently held out her arms.

Dazed, Polly looked down at them, and vaguely wondered why they trembled.

"My dear child," repeated Mrs. Blake, "you must be brave. We think it was an accident at the ford. They found Dan at least two miles further down the river—it must have been at least an hour after it happened."

With a grip of pain, the older woman's shoulders were clutched by the fierce young hands. "Do you mean," asked Polly, in a strained voice, "that my husband is dead?"

"Thank God, no—he's still alive."

With a cry of joy Polly darted forward. "Wait," said Mrs. Blake. "You must not go to him so. He is terribly injured. You must control yourself first."

A sense of reserved power in her calmness instantly soothed Polly. "I'll do whatever you say," she answered.

"Go in softly, and look at him—it will help you," said Mrs. Blake, tenderly, "then come up-stairs to me. I'm going to get his room ready."

In the days that followed, when to Pol-

ly the whole universe resolved itself into one human life and one human love, it was this same quiet strength that kept her from despair. The older woman's tried wisdom ruled over the young wife's ignorance and inexperience with the sweet authority of a mother, and while her skill performed all important duties in the sick room, her gracious task constantly invented small labors of love for Polly's empty hands.

But Mrs. Blake was not the only one to minister to Polly's needs. From every direction came friends with outstretched hands and loving offers to serve her. The men attended to the business of the farm, and took turns in sitting up at night with Dan. The women quietly cared for the house and cooked the meals. And all brought with them cherished stories of Dan's past kindness to themselves.

"You see, Polly," said Mrs. Blake, her eyes filling with tears, "he's such a dear, noble fellow that there's not one of us that's not in his debt, and this is our first opportunity to show how much we've always appreciated the beautiful things that he's done for others." She wiped her eyes, and faintly smiled. "We made an attempt to let him know by trying to be good to his dear wife, but she was rather shy."

Filled with remorse, Polly slipped away, and softly entered the sick room. With stinging thoughts of the past few months, she hung over the bed, looking down at the weak, still body, with its feeble, fluttering breath. Suddenly Dan seemed no longer to lie there, but to stand before her—the white, dying face blindly staring into space, and she heard an angry woman's voice saying, "I wish that I had never seen you!" With a stifled sob she ran from the room.

As she crept down the stairs a hum of voices reached her from the parlor. A terrible conviction seized her. The doctors had given up hope, and they were planning to keep it from her until the last. She would not be tricked like a child. She stealthily drew near the parlor door, and hid in the shadow of the heavy portiere.

It was the voice of the old station master that she heard. "Boys," he was saying, enthusiastically, "it's not a question whether we can afford a thousand dollars to send for a physician from the city, but whether this here ship can afford to lose a man like Dan Norris from the bridge. When I was in that surrey wreck nine years ago, Dan Norris towed me to the city hospital in a special. He never considered the cost of the cargo that he ordered for me there until the bills of lading came in—then he mortgaged his farm, and paid everything. I've saved up a couple of hundred to bury me—calculated to have the kerridge and that sort of thing—but you can put me in a sea chest, and send me afloat in the potter's field. Dan shall have every blooming cent, and if there're not four others to pledge as much, I hope this whole durned town will strike a rock, and founder!"

The portiere swayed, and the listening woman tottered through the hall to the porch. Emotion choked her. To breathe, she must be outdoors.

It was a night of stars, and they sent her the sweet message of the soft, fragrant air. In some strange, subtle way she was comforted. With a new serenity of soul she went into the house again.

The next afternoon Doctor Thornton,

the celebrated city physician, arrived. He and the two doctors from town who had devotedly attended Dan went into the sick room alone, and closed the door. In a chamber across the hall sat Mrs. Blake and Polly—waiting.

Half an hour passed in an awful silence; then to the straining ears of the women there was the sound of the cautious opening of a door.

Polly tried to rise, but a sudden weight about her skirts bore her down. She tried to speak, but could only move her lips; no words would come. Her eyes were speech enough.

Mrs. Blake answered the agony of their pleading. "I'll find out, and tell you," she whispered.

The minute that she was gone was endless, measured by the intense longing of Polly's heart. But when she returned, the light shining on her face flashed a joyous message.

"Polly!" she cried. "Polly! Doctor Thornton says he knows that he can pull him through!"

With a cry of thanksgiving Polly sprang into Mrs. Blake's arms. "Oh," she sobbed, "I owe it all to you—to you and the others who have been so good to him! I love you—I love you all so much!"

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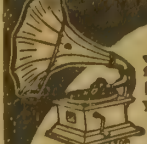
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By ADOLPH KRUEH, Seedsman and Gardener

Perennials—the flowering plants that live a long time—are a puzzle to many home gardeners. Many wish for those beautiful old-fashioned flowers that, in most cases, are only a memory from mother's or grandmother's garden. More would like to have a typical "hardy" garden, were it not for the fact that, to start one by buying plants, is rather expensive.

Still, everybody who can invest fifty cents in seeds and is willing to do a little "tinkering" around tiny seedlings can have a "hardy" garden that will increase in size and beauty from year to year. There are, to my knowledge, at least ten sorts which may be bought at five cents per packet from any responsible seedsman, which will sprout as easily as radish or lettuce seed and require hardly any attention after they once become established.

But please keep in mind that I do not promise that all of them will bloom the first year. The first year in a garden of perennials from seeds is just "getting ready time." The little plants make mostly roots, so as to have a big lot of vitality with which to face the winter. But early

fully. Press the soil in firm contact with the seeds with the flat side of the ruler and make the surface of the box perfectly level. Next, water the box thoroughly. If you do not have a fine spray on your sprinkling can, sprinkle the box with your hand in the same fashion which the housewife employs in sprinkling clothes. The point is, that the water must not wash the soil in this box. The seeds are not sown very deeply and if the soil is washed, some of them are apt to get washed from one row into the other.

After a careful and thorough watering, cover the box with a pane of glass and put it on the window sill in a warm room. But suppose you do not care to go to all this trouble, and prefer to wait until you can sow the seeds right out into the garden. In that case, wait until the middle of April or early in May, depending on the locality. As soon as gardening time is here and the soil is in good shape for digging and raking, prepare a bed, say six or eight feet long by four feet wide. If your garden soil consists of stiff, heavy clay, it will pay you to build a bed on top of the ground as follows:



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in the spring they will show you all the rewards to which your patience with them entitles you.

The logical time at which to sow perennial flower seeds is when the parent plants mature the fresh crop of seeds. But since that time varies greatly among even the limited number of kinds suggested here, the thing to do is to go Nature one better and start as soon as this number of The Household Journal reaches you. Send at once for the seeds. In the meantime get to work and fill a flat box with about four inches of finely sifted, rich, black soil. If you can secure a small quantity of soil from a local greenhouse, you will have the ideal thing to start with.

Next, lay out your rows in this box as shown in the illustration. Take a straight stick or a ruler and place it into the soil, making a furrow not deeper than one-fourth of an inch. Get little wooden labels for marking the rows and put on these markers the name of the sort you sow into the different rows. Now you are ready for your seeds. Sow them as evenly as possible and cover each furrow care-

Secure two bushels of good, black soil, two bushels of leaf mould and add to this a bushel of sand. Mix all thoroughly and spread this mixture in the shape suggested above in some shady nook. Then get busy and sow your seeds in the same fashion as suggested above for indoor operations. In order to prevent the bed from drying out too quickly, it will pay you to shade it with wet burlap between ten o'clock A. M. and three o'clock P. M. on hot, sunny days.

Let the seedlings grow in this bed until they reach a size of two or three inches tall. Then transplant them carefully into the positions where you want the plants to grow, being particular not to disturb the little roots any more than you can help. Let as much dirt adhere to the roots as the operation will permit.

Here are the ten varieties with which every amateur should succeed, since all of them, with the exception of poppies, have coarse seeds, and even the fine poppy seeds are of such strong vitality that you should have no trouble in securing a good

Blanket Flower, or Gaillardia. This is

In my opinion one of the most dependable hardy flowers, for which room should be found in every garden. Even as a seedling plant it makes a strong, healthy growth, and after the plants reach full size, hardly anything will kill them. Gaillardias grow just as well in sunny positions as in shady places and will reward you with an abundance of brownish-yellow, daisy-like flowers that are supported by long stems. As a cut flower, Gaillardia has no superior among the perennials. It blooms freely during a long period and the flowers keep well. Set the plants eight to ten inches apart in the row each way.

Columbine, or *Aquilegia*, is deservedly one of our most popular hardy plants. It thrives to perfection in all parts of the country and does well in even poor soil. A beautiful variety of this is *Aquilegia Coerulea*, which is a native of the Rocky Mountain region, where it grows wild in great quantities. Columbine is fine for bouquets, thrives well in shady places and is the very first of the perennials listed here to make its appearance in the spring. The plants will grow to be about eight or ten inches high and in June will be surmounted by tall, stately sprays of long, spurred flowers of all colors. They are



Gaillardia Grandiflora

at their best during June and early in July, after which the flower stems should be cut off. This, incidentally, is a rule you should enforce with all perennial flowers—remove the flowers as soon as they are past their best. Never permit a faded flower on the plant if you want it to bloom a long time. Set the plants eight or ten feet apart in the row.

Corn Flower Aster, or *Stokesia*, will bear an abundance of light lavender-blue, daisy-like flowers from July to October. As a cut flower it cannot be surpassed, since the flowers last a long time. The plants grow eighteen to twenty inches tall, and should be planted in a well-drained position, since nothing will harm Corn Flower Asters more than if ice water stands on the crown of the plant for any length of time during the winter or spring. Set *Stokesia* plants one foot apart. After the plants are once firmly established, they will prove dependable under all conditions for many years.

Hollyhocks. These are especially valuable as a background in your garden scheme. According to variety, they grow from four to seven feet tall. They come

in all colors. Everybody loves and knows Hollyhocks, so there is no need of going into an extensive description. But let me sound this warning—in sections of the country where the winters are "open" and intensely cold weather is followed by sudden warm spells, you must protect Hollyhocks with a covering of straw manure. While they are perfectly hardy, even old plants will easily freeze out in localities where the weather conditions are as described above. The second year furnishes the best flowers and some of the new ever-blooming varieties will bloom freely even the first season. But as soon as the plants are through blooming, remove the flower stalks, for they are anything but attractive. When transplanting seedling plants place them one foot apart in the row.

Larkspur, or *Delphinium*. One of the best border plants among all hardy perennials and one that fits beautifully in front of the background formed by the Hollyhocks. Larkspur is about the only hardy blue flower of any consequence. The flower spikes grow from four to six feet tall and vary in color according to variety, from the lightest sky-blue to the deepest indigo-blue. Larkspur are at their best during July and will always furnish an abundance of handsome cut flowers for "4th of July" bouquets. They are faithful bloomers and the plants increase in size from year to year. Set the young plants two feet apart each way, so as to give them ample room for proper development.

Pin Cushion Flower, or *Scabiosa Caucasica*, deserves more attention from all lovers of beautiful flowers. As a plant to furnish an abundance of flowers for cutting, it is surpassed only by Gaillardia. *Scabiosa* starts to bloom in June and bears flowers, with stems fifteen to eighteen inches long, until September. They last a long time after picking, and their soft lavender color never fails to attract undivided admiration. *Scabiosa* are ideal

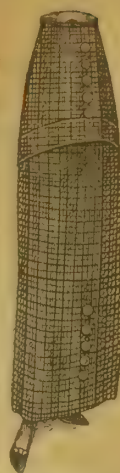
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Tick Seed, or Coreopsis, I like to call the ideal yellow perennial for cutting. No other hardy flower I know will give as big returns in the way of graceful, long-stemmed flowers as *Coreopsis lanceolata grandiflora*. While its main blooming season is during June, it will produce quantities of flowers clear up to October. One dozen well-kept plants will provide large bunches of yellow flowers every day through the summer. *Coreopsis* will thrive anywhere, although for best results it should be planted in a sunny position. The only characteristic which *Coreopsis* lacks to make it an ideal flower is fragrance. But the handsome, graceful, frimbriated flowers make you forget that. Set plants six inches apart each way.

Pinks, or Dianthus Plumarius, are the original clove-scented or pheasant's-eye pinks; they are ideal for beds and borders and lend themselves especially to edging beds. The attractive, bluish-green foliage does not grow any taller than ten to twelve inches. Above this the flowers rise to a height of perhaps eighteen inches. The color contrasts in this flower are simply beautiful—a dark center with fringed white edge. This is easily the most fragrant of all flowers in this collection, and I doubt whether there is any perennial that surpasses it in sweetness. Clove Pinks thrive in any kind of soil, but like a sunny position best. Plants should be set six inches apart in the border. They bloom from May until July.

Poppies—Iceland and Oriental. Early in June the Oriental Poppies are easily the most brilliant flowers in the hardy garden. The Iceland Poppies bloom clear up to October, but do not grow as tall as the Oriental. Both are of easy culture and thrive well in any kind of soil. In the case of Poppies, it pays to water them if the natural water supply is deficient. It also pays to mulch them during the summer months, which will tend to preserve the moisture in the soil. Although the seeds sprout strongly, and the seedlings are vigorous, care should be taken not to disturb the long tap roots when transplanting. See that these tap roots are placed as nearly in their natural position as possible. After transplanting the seedlings, press the soil in firm contact with the roots and shade the plants for a couple of days during the hottest part of the day. Incidentally, this is a rule that should be observed in connection with all the seedling plants. Set the Poppy plants six inches apart each way.

Sweet Williams, or Dianthus Barbatus. This I am tempted to call the ideal hardy bedding plant. If I had a choice of but one perennial, I would want that to be Sweet Williams. Whether grown as a single specimen plant or in a border, it never fails to make a brilliant showing from June to August. The plants average from one and one-half to two feet tall, according to variety, and the flowers represent all shades of red, white and variegated. After cutting, if promptly placed in water, they will last as long as any flower in this collection, with the possible exception of *Scabiosa*. Sweet Williams are literally as easily grown as a tomato plant, and their great hardiness will make them endure the roughest winters without protection. They are of delightful, clove fragrance, and are unsurpassed for making a showy bouquet.

Sweet Williams self-sow freely and care should be taken to set the plants far enough apart at the start, since otherwise they will crowd each other after the second year. Set the seedlings one foot apart each way. Be sure to cut off the flower stalks as soon as the umbels begin to fade. This will prolong the blooming season.

After your perennial bed is once firmly established, you will have no trouble in enlarging it from year to year. All the sorts mentioned above self-sow freely, and after the third year you will find regular clumps of young seedling plants clustering around the base of the parent plant. By transplanting them early in the spring, or, better still, late in August, and by "swapping" some of these seedlings with your neighbors for sorts they have, that you like, your perennial border should, in comparatively few years, be as fine as any of those for which the wealthy pay hundreds of dollars, starting with nursery-grown plants.

SWEET PEAS.

Every year we see many articles about this lovely flower and its culture, and every year many people ask, "When shall I sow the seed?" or "Is it too late or too early?" etc.

So every year we must remind the forgetful ones and the beginners that sweet peas must be sown early—real early—sometimes in March, if the ground gets thawed out so that a good seed bed can be prepared. Prepare one of good, rich garden soil, using manure that has been thoroughly rotted. Sow the peas in trenches two or three inches deep, and string them to some support as soon as possible after the appearance of the vines before they get tangled.

Keep the flowers picked off closely if you wish plenty of blossoms. Sow one or two plantings if you wish to have flowers all summer, and when the first ones are gone, the next planting will be coming into bloom.

A FEW SPRING HINTS.

By Laura Jones, Kentucky

When ordering seed, remember to include a package of smilax seed for using with cut flowers. There will be quite a number of seeds in a small five or ten cent package. Prepare your box of soil, which should be a shallow box, and soak the seed a few hours in warm water, and plant. It is best to soak over night. Water as often as the soil becomes dry, and keep a pane of glass over the top of the box. For one month the little green shoots begin to appear; these grow rapidly and form small bulbs that can be kept for years. If started early in the house, this will be pretty through the summer and make you a beautiful bit of green for your window garden.

Soak all hard seeds, such as moonflower, canna and smilax. Have hot water, but do not scald them, as you are liable to destroy the germ. I place them in a tea cup and leave on the warmer of the cook stove over night, or place on the mantel over a grate.

When planting for the summer garden, plan to prolong your floral display until late in the autumn, by including a few packages of seed of late bloomers, and start them early in the house or pit. The cosmos, dahlia, *Salvia splendens*, petunia and aster will give you flowers until late in October, and often, when there are no early frosts, until late in November, and these late flowers will give you more

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The floral catalogues are very attractive and enticing in the spring, and we all have the floral fever then, but the be-

ginner with limited space and means should buy only the things that are worth while or that are sure to grow and bloom. It is not every one who is successful with all plants.

Try planting a few pansy seed early in boxes for shady places, and plant more seed in August for fall flowers. Remember, the pansy blooms best in the cool months. The deepest colors and largest flowers are borne in the spring and autumn. I have pinched old plants back

nearly to the ground, and then had them to branch out and produce fine flowers in profusion.

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Our readers tell us that they are much interested in reading the letters from those who have been successful in growing their favorite flowers. We are sure that all flower lovers will be delighted with the following, as they are instructive as well as interesting.

GROWING ROSES.

For years I have been disappointed in my roses. They would bloom in the spring and fall, but in the summer I could count on few blossoms. I changed my rose bed to different locations, built new beds, put rocks at the bottom, then manure and clay as per rules and regulations, but had no success. I concluded the climate was to blame. Speaking to an old florist about my troubles, he asked me if I realized that plants must work to be strong, and fed to be able to work. He explained that manure should never be placed against the stalk, except, of course, mulching in winter, but make the roots go after it.

Once every month I dug four holes six inches deep and eight inches from the stalk around each bush, placed a handful of old sheep manure (one-fourth in each hole), poured in water, and let it soak in, then covered up the holes.

The only instrument used was a trowel. I planted my roses in full sunlight, and did not even follow the rule of planting roses by themselves, but put each plant among others wherever there was room. No especially made beds with rocks for drainage, etc. For the first time I had roses blooming all summer, and they were beautiful.

If this experience will benefit others as it did me, florists will certainly sell more roses, as we amateurs will always want roses and more roses each year when they prove a success.—Wm. Moskop, Missouri.

THE LOVELY PANSY.

From the culture of the pansy I have realized the best profit, pleasure and success. Flowers and plants for the florist, and smiles and thanks from poor shut-ins. Some blossoms I have raised have been four inches in diameter, of the richest, velvety hues, with quaint, almost grotesque markings. I use only the best seed. The young plants of the fall-sown seed produce the finest, largest spring blossoms. I make two sowings each season. The first in the house between January and April, or in the open as soon as the ground can be worked. These plants bloom until fall frosts. My second sowing is made between July and September. It produces strong, stocky plants. When covered with leaves or evergreen boughs they survive the severest winter. The cover must not be too thick or it will smother the plants. I sow seed in boxes, thinly and evenly, in loose, sandy loam enriched with well-rotted cow manure, cover one-eighth inch with pulver-

ized soil, and keep the soil moist until the plants are up. Light and air are then freely admitted. If the weather is favorable I transplant into partially shaded beds at sunset, seven to eight inches apart. I make the soil loose and rich, and in dry weather soak the bed twice a week in the evenings. All weeds are excluded. No plants are allowed to go to seed. A cooling mulch of lawn clippings, when the from the plant roots and retain the moisture is trying, will keep the sun's rays ure.—Mary C. Harmon, Minnesota.

THE BOSTON FERN.

In my thirty years' experience with flowers my best success has been with the Boston fern. I now have one six years old. It is sitting on a stand four feet high, and completely hides the stand with its foliage. It fills the large cottage window in which it stands. Every one says it is the finest they ever saw.

I have it planted in a three-gallon galvanized iron kettle, with holes in the bottom for drainage. The soil is good garden soil with some sand. For drainage I have broken dishes and charcoal. I never overwater and always with warm water. It has never been repotted but twice. I never repot unless the plant gets too large for the pot. Good drainage, as little potting as possible, washing or spraying is my rule. Once in two weeks is often enough to spray.—Mrs. Mary Stevenson, Kansas.

SUCCESS IN GROWING DAHLIAS.

Plant in May as soon as the ground is warm, in a heavy, rich soil, making a depth of eight inches for a place in which to set the tubers. At the bottom work in one good-sized teacupful of potato fertilizer, and cover very slightly, to prevent the tuber from coming in contact with the fertilizer. Set in tubers with two or three good, healthy eyes or sprouts, cover to a depth of six inches, and press firm. When the plants are well above the ground loosen the soil lightly; in about a week hoe fairly deep; in another week loosen the soil lightly, and when a foot high stake, do the first tying, and hill very deep. Do no hoeing after, unless very dry, then only on top of the soil. Leave the trenches where you hill, and water by irrigation in said trenches. Keep the blossoms back in extreme hot weather by disbudbing. Watch closely for bugs and cutworms.—Mrs. John Slocombe, New York.

Mrs. R. E. Blanke, of Paterson, N. J., who was awarded the second prize in our recent floral contest, has received so many orders for offsprings from her prize fern that she is unable to supply all, at this time. She writes that she is sending out what she has, giving preference in the order that the letters were received, and hopes in time to supply all.

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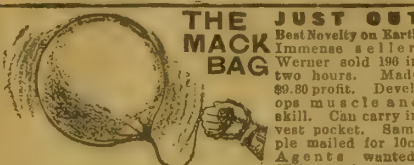
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Grafting Slips Wanted—Mrs. C. Mink, New York—You should have no trouble in obtaining the few grafting slips wanted for fruit trees by writing to any of the large nurseries of the country. You might try the Elizabeth City Nursery Co., of Elizabeth City, N. J., and if they cannot supply the grafts, they can undoubtedly put you into communication with some nurseryman who can.

Entering the Floral Business—M. J. Wilson, Michigan—One of the first important steps in entering the florist business is to read up on the subject in a thorough and practical way. The amateur garden paper, The Garden Magazine, of New York City, is an excellent paper; but if you are taking up the growing of plants for profit it would be better to secure some of the trade papers, as well as one or two books dealing with the special list of plants which you expect to handle. The publishers of The Florists' Exchange, 8 Duane Street, New York City, can furnish you with any information in any line on the subject.

Weeping Lantanas—Arthur Chilton, Massachusetts—It is probably not the fault of the soil that the weeping lantanas have not done well for you. They are not particular about soil at all, but are sun-loving plants and require a warm temperature and a moist soil when growing. They do not mind drought, but they should be kept clean by spraying with a good liquid or powder insecticide. Different forms of tobacco could be used. You cannot expect too much of the plants in the winter, and the plants will be so much better developed at flowering time if they are kept semi-dormant until the start of the growing season.

Sacred Lily—Mrs. A. Pachernigg, Wisconsin—Many inquiries come relative to the handling of winter-forcing bulbs, by reason of efforts made to keep them for blooming a second season. Very few of the bulbs prove of any value a second year, especially those which are classed as indoor-growing bulbs. The outdoor bulbs, such as hyacinths, tulips, narcissus, etc., if planted in some out-of-the-way place where they may be left permanently, will flower more or less every year. This is a better way to handle them than to give them one of the choice locations in the yard where one wants to depend on a quality and quantity of flowers such as you would expect from fresh bulbs.

Grevillea Robusta (Silk Oak Tree)—Mrs. F. S. Stewart, Nebraska—The leaf which you enclosed is from the Grevillea, a plant really native of Australia. It was named after Chas. F. Greville, of the Royal Society of England. In greenhouses it is grown as a decorative plant to a large size. In Australia it grows to a height of 150 feet. It is of rapid growth and does well under very dry conditions. In California it makes a valuable lawn tree. It does well in a temperature suited to geraniums or roses and stands hard usage and neglect. If kept growing it will stand trimming and branches well. It should be kept growing, and as an indoor decorative plant it does best from seeds each year.

Decorative Ferns—Mrs. Belle Roach, Texas—Without a clipping of the fern to show whether or not the plant is troubled with disease, it would be difficult to say just what the trouble is. The decorative ferns of the Boston type are of very easy growth, simply requiring an ordinary soil, regular waterings and plenty of air and light. The plants are often troubled with scale which cannot be noticed, and in a short time, if not given treatment, the trouble is beyond remedy. The writer suggests that you write the department further concerning the soil and how you have been watering the plant, and enclose a clipping from the base of the leaf as well as the tip.

(2) The failure of your palm to do well is probably because of lack of heavy soil. More than likely it is due to sandy soil. Introduce a little clay and keep the plants moist and shaded and in a comparatively warm temperature at all times.

Begonia, Carraline Lucerne—Mrs. Kate Wilson, Nebraska—The begonia leaves which you enclosed appear to be of the variety named. There are two or three sorts of similar type, namely, Gloire de Lucerne, Md. Bruant, Pres. Carnot, etc. Under different growing conditions either one of them might prove a little difficult to identify; that is, on an examination of a single leaf only, and that not fresh from the plant. Your report that the plant is not doing well in a light soil and not overwatered leaves

but one thing to diagnose as the trouble, and that is, you are not keeping the plants warm enough. A light soil kept evenly moist and the plants never allowed to remain in a temperature below 60 degrees produces conditions which should surely bring good results. Please write this department further concerning the conditions of temperature under which the plant is being kept and how often you have been watering it. There are indications on the leaves that the soil has been soggy at times.

Dividing the Peony—C. H. Finley, Illinois—The peony at this time—that is, during any open spell and if carefully replanted and banked up so as to keep fully protected from heavy rains and sudden changes of freezing and thawing of wet ground—might do well the coming season, but the chances are not nearly as good for some as to do the work next August. If you would take the roots up now you would lose the fine flowers which are already under way in the formation of shoots, which you would find if you examine the roots. After the spring and summer growth and dying off of the tops, the eyes or shoots develop to a certain extent that the roots can be easily and intelligently divided at that time. The roots should be cut to five or six eyes or sprouts and replanted not later than the middle of September. This gives the plants an opportunity to develop roots in the fall, necessary to furnish life for the heavy tops and immense blooms. Unless planted early the tops will grow, only to die down at the budding time.

Asparagus Plumosus—Mrs. J. F. Brown, Texas—Your report of the failure of the Asparagus Plumosus to do well is not an uncommon report with old plants. It seems to be the nature of this plant that it must be kept growing continually from a seedling, and if at any time the growth is allowed to stop, it seems to go backward. The plant requires a fair amount of moisture, and fairly warm temperature, with an evenly moist soil and plenty of pot room, but rather regular shiftings to trifle larger pots; that is, better from two-inch to three-inch pots than from the smaller size to a four-inch pot. This is one of the secrets of success in growing this plant. A good garden soil is all that is necessary.

(2) **Ferns**. For the white worms in soil, apply lime water, or, if the weather is not severe, a better plan would be to repot the plant, otherwise it is difficult to rid the soil of the worms entirely. The general rule for all ferns is to give them some shade, plenty of light and heavy waterings when watered and then water applications withheld until the soil has time to dry out and freshen up.

Milk and Wine Lily (Amaryllis)—Mrs. C. E. Pierce, Kansas—The milk and wine lily is really a winter plant producing, under the simplest conditions, several spikes two feet or more high which are crowned with several gorgeous trumpet-shaped blooms. The bulbs can be had in the winter, and should be potted as soon as received in pots about one inch larger than the diameter of the bulbs, planting so only the thick part of the bulb is covered with the soil and leaving the neck of the bulb exposed. A good garden soil is all that is needed, which should run about two parts of good fibrous loam to one part well-rotted cow manure, adding enough sharp sand (if the soil is clayey) to make it loose and friable. Water sparingly until the growth begins, but after the plants are in full leaf they should be watered liberally, taking care at all times to provide good drainage. In the summer the plants should be planted in the open border where they will be exposed to the full sunshine. In the fall, after the growth has been checked by frost, store the bulbs in the cellar and they will be brought to growth again with the coming of another season.

Araucaria (Norfolk Island Pine)—Mrs. John H. Weber, Illinois—The rust-like appearance of the tips of the branches of the araucaria, as well as the dropping of the leaves, indicates a generally bad condition of the plant, due, more than likely, to lack of proper nourishment. Plants that have been kept in the same pots for three years, as you state is the case with the pine you have, makes necessary considerable care in applying nourishment in the form of liquid fertilizers. Experienced growers follow the plan quite a good deal of using a liquid fertilizer instead of repotting, but it is not the safest rule for the amateur. The araucaria will thrive best in a cool room, where the temperature is not over 60 degrees, and the plants should be placed near the light. The best general rule is to shift the plants about twice a year, and if plunged out of doors through the summer in a fairly well-shaded location it adds much to their strength and vigor and wards off the troubles that would naturally attack the plant under artificial conditions indoors through the winter. The plants you have should be repotted in any good garden soil, which would make further application of liquid fertilizer unnecessary. The general appearance of the plant can only change by new growing process which must be brought about by inducing new life and growth, and this more than likely will come with the new soil conditions.

Poultry Notes

HENS AND PULLETS.

If pullets cannot be hatched early it will be an advantage to retain the hens, as they will perform satisfactory service until four years old. While the pullet may surpass the hen at times, yet much will depend on the mode of feeding. One reason why hens seem to fall off sooner than pullets is that the hens are mature, and hence fatten more readily, the pullets being in a growing condition; and as it is detrimental to laying hens to have them too fat, overfeeding may be at the foundation of the difficulty. There is also an expense incurred in raising the pullet that supersedes the hen, and this cost must be considered. It is less expensive, therefore, to keep a hen for two or three years, or even longer, than to raise a lot of pullets from chickenhood every season.

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HINTS ON FEEDING BABY CHICKS.

The hatching season is on and it might be well to give a few suggestions as to how to feed or start baby chicks.

The first two or three weeks of a chicken's life is perhaps the most critical time in its history. If you can get the chicks safely over this period, then your problem is nearly solved. Then any feed which will give best results, which will tend to decrease the mortality, is not expensive even if you have to buy it and pay a good price. You cannot afford to let anything stand in the way of providing the best feed obtainable to feed your chicks for at least the first three weeks after hatching. We have found that practically every farmer and poultry raiser has a little different method of feeding. If you are getting good results, I should not advise you to change it. While the method mentioned here is perhaps not the best, yet it has proved to be simple and safe in most cases.

Provide a hower for the hen and chickens, or a comfortable brooder for the incubator hatched chicks. Cover the floor with mustiness. Sprinkle a little grit over the floor and provide a fountain of pure water. Place the chicks in the brooder, but do not feed them for about forty-eight to seventy-two hours after they are hatched. The first food we give them is a little good grade commercial chick food, which is sprinkled in a clean place on the floor. This is fed at morning, noon and night. As soon as they have learned to eat, we sprinkle this feed in the litter and let them have the fun of scratching for it. Between meals, about 10 o'clock in the morning and about 2:30 in the afternoon we sprinkle a little rolled oats or pinhead

or steel-cut oats on the floor. We provide all the sour milk or buttermilk we can get the chicks to drink from the first day until the stock is fully matured. We prefer this to feeding them beef scraps. We also cut up an onion occasionally and give to the youngsters. This furnishes them with green food and also seems to aid in keeping them healthy. After the chicks are about ten days old, we begin to feed a dry mash mixture made as follows: Two parts bran, one part corn meal, one part shorts or middlings.

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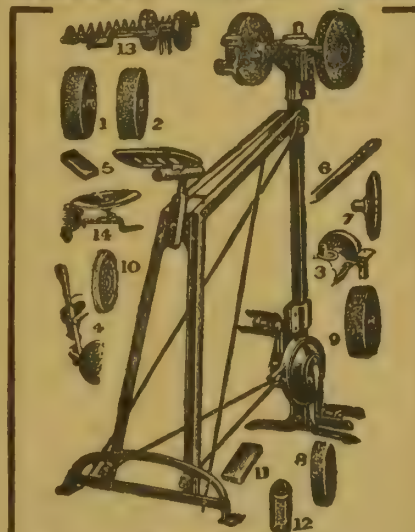
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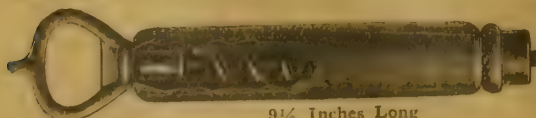
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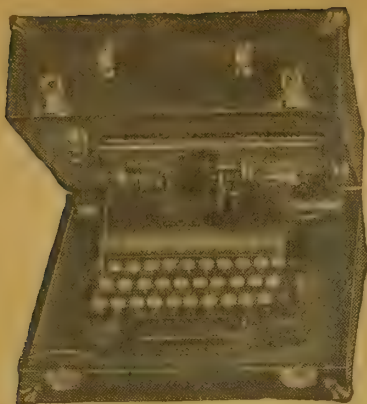
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Is filled with happy care;
The time has come to build a nest,
For spring is in the air.

The flowers are here in bright array
They come by millions every day;
And millions more are on the way
For all the world to share;
The fields and woods will soon be gay,
For spring is in the air.

The fragrance of the morning breeze
Brings message to the murmuring bees,
The swelling buds upon the trees
Are bursting everywhere;
The world is full of jubilees,
For spring is in the air.

Dear friends, no doubt you will be surprised to know that again I am able to be with you, after a serious nervous breakdown, but your prayers is the only way I can account for my rapid recovery. I felt at first it would be at least six months before I would even dare to think of writing for the Corner. But my rest of two months has been a great help, and while not yet strong, yet I feel with care I can take up the work again. Will you help me?

I must ask Sunshiners to please only write when necessary and then briefly. Of course, I do not mean this for my friends who write to me. But so many write long, sad letters, telling of all their past troubles and asking aid. We ask all persons who do this to please remember we are human and still have nerves, and we want to keep them. We can help persons but very little, and cannot be bothered or worried with long stories of troubles. We cannot do anything for a person who does not send a written reference from doctor or minister. Remember if this is not done, the waste basket will find your letter. If you want on the cheer list or want your friends to be on the list, unless we have a reference from you or know you, remember the reference is required.

We want to thank each one who sent a card or letter of sympathy during our illness. It was much appreciated, but I am afraid I will be unable to write separate letters or cards to each one, as I must save my strength.

Our Sunshiners could help the Emergency Fund very much if they would write a short article telling about mendets and how handy they are, and send the article to some good farm paper or household magazine, where such ideas are wanted for the columns for the housewife, explaining handy things for the house. Be sure to mention the price and give our address, so other women can send for mendets.

HINTS FOR OUR FRIENDS.

Let every shut-in remember, when sending a letter of appreciation, to briefly

state it on a slip of paper, for we cannot publish a letter—just a few words.

We cannot make reduction in prices for "mendets" and it does not pay us to have agents, for it cuts the profits.

Please do not send money for the Journal to this department, but send direct to the Central Publishing Company, Springfield, Ohio.

We hope our friends will observe the little hints given, so we may continue our work—you can help if you try, which saves our strength, so we may continue our work.

We want our readers to remember, when ordering mendets or birthday booklets, to please write address plainly. Be sure to send stamp for mailing and not to send Canadian money.

It does not cost anything extra to be a Sunshiner, but we would like to have you be a subscriber or reader of the Journal, so you can keep in touch with the work. Send stamp when you want a membership card.

WHERE TO SEND CHEER.

Mrs. A. L. Hawkins, Sandy Ridge, N. C., is glad to receive reading material. She says she passes it on to her neighbors when she is through reading it.

A shut-in sends us the name of a little cripple who has never walked. He would be made very happy to receive cards and pictures and games. Address Master J. C. Cisson, Greenville, S. C. This boy is twelve years old.

Miss Eloise Miller, of Canajoharie, N. Y., R. D., is a little shut-in who has never walked. She can scarcely sit up now at all. Has locomotor ataxia. She longs for cheer. She is about sixteen years old.

A letter comes to us without a reference, but as reading is all that is wanted, we place the name before our readers. The writer asks for McCall's Magazine if any one wishes to pass it on. She has two girls aged twelve and ten, and one boy is five. They live in a lonely place and long for cheer. Address Mrs. Pearley Smith, Smith, N. C.

The case of Mrs. Carrie Mead, of Waupaca, Wis., comes before us. She has had five operations and is in a very sad condition. She is compelled to try to support herself through the sale of her crochet work. She also makes beautiful jabots and lace doilies. She sells flower seeds and it is said puts more in a packet than one would get from seed houses. Will you not send her an order? If you write for prices, be sure to send a stamp for reply.

Another case which awakens our pity is that of a young lady who was accidentally shot by her sister, who started to shoot a large snake, but missed her mark. Consequently this young shut-in has been a hopeless and helpless cripple for the rest of her life. She is paralyzed from her arms to her feet. The ball was located and removed after the second operation. Her mother is a poor widow. This shut-in can use her hands and sits in a wheel-chair and does patch work when she has the pieces. She asks for silk, velvet, calico, outing or gingham pieces. She has all the reading matter she can use, but she enjoys letters or cards. She will not be able to answer unless a stamp is enclosed. This shut-in is twenty-six years old and has been unable to walk for nearly ten years. Her name is Miss Nellie Eppes, Bland Lake, Texas.

It is sad when we hear of young persons being made helpless cripples for the rest of their lives through some accident. We have had our attention directed to a young girl, only sixteen years old, who was standing near an open grate, and her clothes ignited, burning her so badly she was taken to a hospital, where for three months she laid flat on her back. Her lower limbs are so badly burned she will never walk. Her life has been spared through the stepfather, who gave his skin to cover the parts which were so burned. Her mother is dead. She has a little brother and a younger sister. They are in a very destitute condition. Friends are trying to raise money to get her a wheel-chair, so that she may be able to assist the little sister in the housework. Any one who feels like lending a helping hand may send their contribution to Mrs. T. C. White, 1700 Beech Street, Pine Bluff, Ark., as this lady and others are trying to raise the money for them. We only wish we had a chair for this young girl, but our calls are more than we have means to answer. The young girl's name is Miss Sybil Pharris, Sheridan, Ark. Perhaps some of the young girls or Sunshine Clubs would like to send her some cheer.



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Mrs. Carrie E. Brown, Bethel, Vt., R. F. D. 1, wishes to thank the kind friends for the beautiful post cards of cheer; also for the good reading.

Mrs. B. A. Berry, 124 Piedmont Street, Keyser, W. Va., thanks all who sent her cheer. Many cards came without name, so she takes this way to show her appreciation. Mrs. Berry suffers a great deal. Do not forget her.

Miss Mattie Moss, formerly of McLeod, Ky., but now of Nelsonville, Ky., is very grateful to each one who has sent her cheer. She had spinal trouble when three years old, and has not walked since. She tries to support herself by her needlework. Orders would be gratefully received. Write for prices.

Mrs. M. A. Strickland, Union City, Mich., Box 767, thanks each one who sent her cheer. She wishes some of the Sunshiners would send her a few stamps. She wishes her old friends and new ones would write to her. She has lain in bed for over twenty-five years, and suffers a great deal. She still sells post cards and would be grateful for orders.

Miss Mary Ellen Willis, of Barnesville, Ga., R. F. D. 3, appreciated the cheer she received at Christmas. At that time she was ill with la grippe, so the tokens came to help make a dark, rainy day more bright for her. She is 48 years old, and only weighs 42 pounds. She seldom leaves her room, cannot walk, and is deaf, so she asks for plenty of cheer to help pass away the long hours. She enjoys letters so much.

The following letter from Miss M. E. Rogers, of Lillington, N. C., but now of Sanford, N. C., explains itself:

"Will you please express my gratitude to the Sunshiners for many cards that I received for birthday, Thanksgiving and Christmas? To 'Julia' for her kind, cheering letter with cards and stamps enclosed, and for a package of nice silk pieces sent to Cameron, N. C. If I failed to thank any one for kindness shown me, I wish them to know that I greatly appreciated it anyway. I will still appreciate orders for crocheted work."

Miss Rosetta Smith writes and thanks all who have remembered her mother, Mrs. Ina Mundy, Kincaid, Kan., R. R. 2, Box 21. She would like to write to each one, but she says that after she waits on her mother all day and most of the night, that when her mother can rest she feels that she must take a little time for self to rest. Another operation for Mrs. Mundy seems to be the only thing to prolong her life. The doctor has sent us word that he and another physician will perform the operation if money can be raised for a nurse and to buy some necessary clothing for Mrs. Mundy. But we must act at once, so if any one wishes to assist this poor woman, will they please send the amount to the daughter, Miss Rosetta Smith, and tell her what it is for.

EMERGENCY FUND.

We hope every reader who has not tried the "mendets" will not forget to try them. Every sale helps our Emergency Fund, which means help to worthy shut-ins. These mendets will mend leaks in granite, tin, copper, brass, hot-water bags and rubber. Pans and buckets can be saved by use of these handy little articles. Every home should have them, for they save buying new cooking utensils and just the thing for the barn or chicken yard to fix up old drinking pans and buckets. They come in assorted sizes, fifteen in a box, with little wrench, for 25 cents and two-cent stamp for mailing. All the net proceeds made from "mendets" goes into the Emergency Fund. Order from Mrs. Gertrude Cherry, Xenia, Ohio.

LATER SUNSHINE ITEMS.

Miss Frances Royce, of East Shoreham, Vt., wishes to thank all who have sent her cheer. And she was especially pleased to receive the stamps, as she tries to pass on cheer. She wishes "Lauretta, of Somersville, Mass.," would please sign her full name when she writes to her.

James Barefoot and sister Callie Barefoot, of Four Oaks, N. C., are both helpless invalids for years from rheumatism. They need help and sympathy. James says that "cold weather is here, and I have no way to heat my room. If any one has an oil heater to pass on to a helpless invalid, it will be a great comfort to me." He sends a written reference from his doctor, J. H. Stanly, M.D.

Miss Esther Levy requests that packages addressed to Mrs. Crystal and Nora H., and all others for Cornwall Landing, to be sent in her care, Miss Esther Levy, Cornwall, Orange County, N. Y., Box 314. She also asks that cher be sent to a nine-year-old little boy who has never had any sunshine. Cards, letters, pictures or games. Address Master Herbert Moore, care of Frank Moore, Cornwall-on-Hudson, N. Y., Orange County.

Miss Lucy Plummer, who cares for Mrs. Delia A. Black, of Kelseyville, Cal., writes that she and Mrs. Black are so grateful for the kind-

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ness shown to them since their names appeared in the Journal. Mrs. Black has received much cheer and greetings, also some substantial aid. They replied to all who sent addresses. "Sunshine Julia" sent greeting, but no address. She says "we are trying to thank her by wireless." Miss Plummer says that Mrs. Salome Lang, whose name she sent for cheer, has been very ill for a long time. She received a grand Christmas shower of greetings and will respond as soon as able. Please do not forget Mrs. Black and Miss Plummer. The latter, a nurse, has given up her profession for the love of her companion and cares for her free of charge. Is that not devotion? A silver shower would be most greatly appreciated:

LETTER FROM HONOLULU.

Many of the Sunshiners will be surprised to read the following letter from Mr. Arthur Everett, formerly of San Diego, Cal. Those who have birthday booklets, please look on page 46 in September and note the address of Mr. Everett, and change it to General Delivery, Honolulu, Hawaii.

"Shut-in and Sunshine Friends:—
"As I am unable to reach all of you with a personal letter, I take this way to inform you: I have not entirely recovered from a serious attack of heart failure soon after my arrival in Honolulu last May, which left me very weak and seemingly increases as time goes on, until now for some months I have had to rely on friends, made here since my arrival in the Islands, for the necessities of life, they paying my rent and seeing that I do not suffer for things to eat, besides which they send me a trained nurse now and then as occasion seems to demand. I was unable to send out a single Christmas letter this year. Christmas of 1912 I mailed 243 Christmas letters. On account of my physical condition I am unable to send out as many letters as has been my wont, yet manage to answer all letters that have come to me here, as there has not been half the number as formerly. I shall continue typing descriptive letters and answer those that come as long as I am able to sit at my typewriter. It is for this that I ask the editor to print this, not in any manner as an appeal for help, as friends here see to it that my needs are supplied. Your sincere friend,

"Arthur Everett."

REPORT OF THE AMSDEN SUNSHINE BRANCH, OF AMSDEN, OHIO.

Report for October, November and December: 27 bouquets, 185 cards, 30 visits to sick, 30 books loaned, dainties, magazines, religious papers, 3 boxes of candy, 6 handkerchiefs, 3 booklets, one letter and two cards of sympathy, one scrap-book, \$4.85 cheer money, 10 stamps, one letter and clothes for two little girls, Thanksgiving basket containing potatoes, strawberries, cakes, butter, apples, bread, chicken, honey, pie, sugar, milk, cabbage and jelly.

The following was sent to "cheer column" of The Household Journal: 16 handkerchiefs, 7 letters, \$1.68 cheer money, 6 booklets, 2 scrap-books, one calendar, dishes, blocks, pictures, reading, stationery, ribbon, apron, beads, 3 dozen Sunday School cards, silk, calico and cloth pieces, napkins and 8 cents in stamps. To the "cheer column" of the Sunshine Bulletin: 4 packages of silk and calico pieces, 5 handkerchiefs, 7 cards and 10 cents.

INTO ETERNAL SUNSHINE.

Another one of our number is no more. Mrs. James Sadler, of Franklin, Ky. Her death occurred in December, but has just been reported. Her children are very thankful for the cheer the Sunshiners have sent her from time to time. The kind remembrances brought much sunshine into a lonely life.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Mrs. Mamie Coyle, of 235 West Main Street, Newark, Ohio, is now living at 30 Union Street. She is a shut-in suffering from rheumatism and has to depend on friends for aid. She is a faithful Christian who appreciates everything done for her. Do not forget Mrs. Coyle.

BIRTHDAY BOOKLETS.

We still have a few birthday booklets left. These booklets are useful for the Sunshiner, as the dates of birth of the shut-ins and addresses are given for each month. These booklets also contain in poetry short character sketches for persons each month, born under the different signs of the zodiac. In this sketch you will find birth stone, flower, faults, colors, guiding stars, etc., mentioned. An extra blank page for each month is added, so new names may be written. The cover design is the Sunshine flower, the coreopsis, in yellow. The booklet is on white cover and tied with yellow cord, yellow and white being the Sunshine colors. Price of booklet is 10 cents and two two-cent stamps for mailing.

For those who do not want the dates of birth of the shut-ins, and want to send the booklets as birthday gifts, we still have a few of these left. There is an extra page in these for names to be written. The rest of the booklet is like the one described above, with an ex-

tra page in front for reference like this: Month, Flower, Gem and Sentiment. Under each a person can find these without having to read a page of description. Price of these are 25 cents and two-cent stamp. These and the ones mentioned above are worth every cent. Send all orders to Mrs. Gertrude Cherry, Xenia, Ohio. Please send coin or money order. Be sure to order at once, for we may not be able to supply you in a short time.

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Now as spring is here we are all thinking about something new to wear. If you want a beautiful yoke and under sleeves or half sleeves, you would be pleased with net work done in any color with silkaten made in pretty designs. This work is also done for baby caps and collars. And also in insertions at 20 cents, 25 cents and 30 cents per yard. Now this work is only done in straight strips, so the purchaser makes the articles. For further information we refer you to a very worthy lady who does this work for a living and supports herself and invalid mother. You would do well to order. Send to her for samples, but send cash with orders, as she needs the money. Address Miss Agnes Stewart Alexander, 1465 Cooper Street, Augusta, Ga. We are sure you will be delighted with the work and it is so reasonable that we wonder how Miss Alexander can do it for the price.

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HAIR RECEIVERS.

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NOTICE.

We have received an order for a birthday booklet from Edgar P. Walton, 1520 Haines Street. We ask Mr. Walton to please send full address, and we will be glad to send booklet. Sorry of the delay.

BOOKS TO LOAN.

A Sunshiner, Miss Marjorie Milburn, Dermot, Kan., has several books to loan, if any of the shut-ins, who have no contagious disease, would like to borrow a book. Send a written reference from your doctor to Miss Milburn, stating the nature of your case.

RETURNED MENDETS.

We still have some returned boxes of mends. The names are as follows: Mrs. O. W. Heyroth, Lanham, Texas. Mrs. S. W. Rash, Sr., Winchester, Ky. Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Washington, Kan. We wish these persons would write their addresses plainly and send stamp to us for the mends. We are sorry these were returned, but we are not to blame. Always write full address and very plainly, to avoid mistakes.



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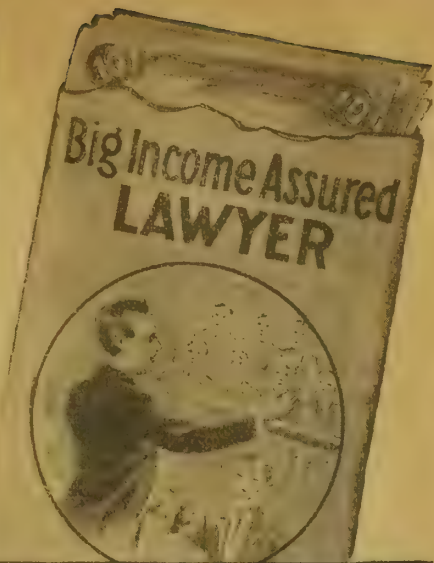
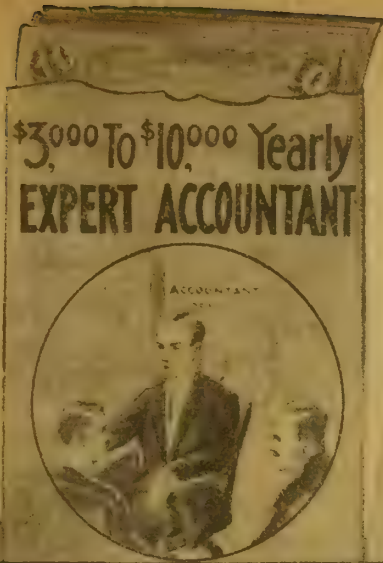


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Because my sun of life has set
While yet the day is young,
Why burden others with my griefs
With oft-complaining tongue?
Why idle stand and fret?

The world is full of woe and pain,
And I am only one—
An atom in the total vast.
And I, what have I done
To merit more of gain?

Then let the lips be dumb;
Hushed the heart-broken cry,
Fill all the hours with busy toil,
And let the days slip by;
At evening peace shall come.

—Maude Meredith.

COOKIES MADE BY THE HUNDRED.

For saving of time in cooky making
have two sheets of heavy tin the size
of the floor of the oven. This can be
floured, the dough rolled on it, and when
brought to the right thickness the latter
can be quickly cut into squares or dia-
monds with a pastry wheel. One can
just about prepare a tin while the other
is baking. The oven should be hot. A
dredge box for flouring the pastry board,
and if one likes the cookies sugared on
top, a second one for sugar, will be found
convenient. The following is a standard
rule:

Three-fourths cupful of butter, creamed,
one and three-fourths cupfuls of sugar,
one egg, unbeaten, two scant teaspoonfuls
of vanilla, six tablespoonfuls of thick sour
cream, into which one level teaspoonful of
soda is thoroughly stirred; flour added
slowly, alternating with the sour cream,
till a smooth, rather stiff dough results.
The last of the flour will have to be
kneaded in with the hands.

If the dough is allowed to stand in a
cool place over night or until chilled
through, it will be found to work easily,
without sticking at all, and it divides the
process of cooking, making and baking,
so that neither one is laborious.

As many as fifteen dozen cookies, two
and one-half inches in diameter, have been
made from this recipe, which fact also
shows how thin the dough may be rolled.

Grated cocoanut, chopped nuts or rais-
ins, or caraway seeds may be added to
part of the dough before the flour is put
in, and so a great variety of tastes may
be suited.

WOMEN DELIGHT IN FINE LINEN.

Every housewife's education should in-
clude a course in how to care for linen.
This applies as much to the woman of
wealth as to the woman who does her
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collect the linen which will form part of
their marriage dot. They concentrate on
this subject even from their earliest years
and tots of four and five are often heard
gravely discussing what kind of linen

shall go to the furnishings of their future
homes.

A little later on these German girls will
begin making, with their friends' assist-
ance, the exquisite, lace-bedecked and em-
broidered linen that is so integral a part
of their wedding chests.

RULES FOR SAVING.

The German housewife has seven rules
for economy in her home, according to
Mrs. Anna Kirchstein, a member of one
of the German women's clubs of Chicago.
They are:

Pay cash for everything.
Do your own buying and marketing.
Be careful in your selection of food.
Study out, at the beginning of the
week, just how much you can spend that
week.

Manage your own household; do not
leave it to the servants.

Figure out a system of utilizing all
materials; even the left-overs from a meal
can be made into something the next day.

Do not regard the system of economy
as a burden, but as a pleasure and a duty.

MEAT IS MADE MORE TENDER.

It is no reflection upon women that they
are not always familiar with the relative
value of foods. It has been only recently
that any one has had authentic informa-
tion on the subject. A little vinegar
rubbed on a steak before it is fried or
broiled will add to its tenderness. If the
beef roast is tough, rub it over with vine-
gar before putting it in the oven, and
baste with water to which a tablespoonful
of vinegar has been added. If boiling
meat is inclined to be tough, add a tea-
spoonful of baking soda. Meat may also
be kept fresh by immersing it in sour
milk or buttermilk, and putting it in a
cool place. Rinse well before using.

WAY TO TELL IF EGGS ARE FRESH.

The housewife who wants to know
whether the eggs she buys are fresh may
apply one or two simple tests. A fresh
egg is heavier than a stale one because
the water in eggs evaporates with time
and air takes its place. If an egg rises
to the top of a glass of water, it is not
fresh. Another test is to make a roll of
a piece of paper until it is the diameter of
the egg. Place the egg at one end of the
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TO WASH SHAWL.

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WHILE SHE LOVES ME.

The past melts away in her kiss,
And the future sails far, far away;
The present overwhelms me with bliss—
While she loves me there's only today.
—Charles E. Meiers.

FLOOR POLISHER.

A serviceable brush of good weight for polishing floors may be made out of an old-fashioned carpet sweeper, says Good Housekeeping. Remove the brush and place a brick inside, fastening it by wires to keep it from slipping. Then cover the sweeper all over with a piece of heavy carpet. The swing of the handle will give the brush an easy motion and lessen, to a considerable extent, the arduous work of polishing the floors.

RENOVATING WINDOW SHADES.

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CREAMED MEAT.

Take any kind of cold meat—turkey or chicken is preferable—have it tender and well done. Cut it in small pieces with a sharp knife. Add half a sweet pepper (either fresh or canned), minced fine, one tablespoonful of flour, salt, pepper and paprika to taste. Add sufficient cold milk or canned cream and water to make it a creamy consistency, boil for five minutes; last add a piece of butter the size of a walnut, and pour over thin buttered toast.

TO REMOVE TARTAR.

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Aunt Jane's Page

A LEGEND.

There has come to my mind a legend, a thing I had half forgot, And whether I read it or dreamed it, ah, well, it matters not. It is said in heaven, at twilight, a great bell softly swings, And man may listen and hearken to the wonderful music that rings, If he puts from his heart's inner chamber all the passion, pain, and strife, Heartache and weary longing that throb in the pulses of life— If he thrust from his soul all hatred, all thoughts of wicked things, He can hear in the holy twilight how the bell of the angels rings. And I think there lies in this legend, if we open our eyes to see, Somewhat of an inner meaning, my friend, to you and to me. Let us look in our hearts and question, "Can pure thoughts enter in To a soul if it be already the dwelling of thoughts of sin?" So, then, let us ponder a little; let us look in our hearts and see If the twilight bell of the angels could ring for us—you and me. —Rose Osborne.

Some uses for delicious marshmallow

A box of marshmallows is a valuable emergency asset for the housewife. To begin with, you can use marshmallows in hot chocolate with as good results as you get from whipped cream. Pour the chocolate, unsweetened, over the marshmallows, one in each cup. The heat dissolves the marshmallows, which rise to the surface of the chocolate in a frothy, creamy mass—a very good substitute for whipped cream.

If you have plain orange or lemon jelly, and are unable to get any fruits or nuts to put in it, brown a few marshmallows carefully over a steady flame and put them in the bottom of a jelly mold. Pour in a layer of the jelly and then put a few of the marshmallows around the edge of the layer. Let it harden, and put in another layer of jelly, with marshmallows at the edge. Continue this until the mold is full. Serve with custard or whipped cream.

A delicious sweet can be made by beating up an egg white, adding two or three tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar and a little vanilla, frosting unsweetened wafers, topping each with a marshmallow, and browning them for a minute in a hot oven.

Marshmallows can be used for cake filling in several ways. One way is to split the marshmallows and put the layers in the oven until the marshmallows are melted to a paste, and then put the layers together. Cover the cake with boiled icing.

Another way is to boil six tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar with two tablespoonfuls of milk without stirring for six minutes. This must be done carefully, so that it will not burn. Cut up a quarter of a pound of marshmallows and put them in a double boiler over the heat. When they are reduced to a paste add two tablespoonfuls of boiling water and cook until smooth. Then add the hot sugar and milk mixture, beating until partly cool. Add half a teaspoonful of vanilla extract and spread between layers of cake before the filling gets cold.

Best way to cook bacon

Bacon could be made an economical asset to our daily diet if we would have it. To be sure, it is not especially cheap. It is extravagant when it is cooked as many cook it—carelessly, so that half of

it is burned to a crisp and has to be thrown away. And it is unpalatable when it is soggy fried. But it is appetizing and palatable when it is properly cooked, and if it is carefully cooked and carefully cut there is little waste and so no undue expense connected with it.

To begin with, always order and see that you get lean bacon. There is much less waste to this. Buy it by the pound, uncut. This way of buying it is cheaper. Then cut it with a very sharp knife. Place the rind side flat on a board and cut in thin strips to the rind. When the needed number of slices have been cut, cut off the rind with the same sharp knife by holding the strips securely with the left hand and cutting under them along the rind with a knife in the right hand.

There are many ways of combining bacon with other foods that make it economical. One is to cook it with cabbage in this way: Soak the cabbage in cold water and then cut it in quarters. Remove the hard core. Boil the rest of the cabbage for half an hour without breaking it. Boil a pound of bacon in a solid piece for half an hour. Then drain both bacon and cabbage and boil them together in fresh water for half an hour. Serve together, like corned beef and cabbage.

Bacon and macaroni make a nourishing dish. Simmer two ounces of macaroni, broken in short lengths, in two cupfuls of well-seasoned stock for about an hour, or until the macaroni is tender. Boil two ounces of lean bacon cut into small squares until it is tender and drain it. Mix it with the bacon. Season well with salt and pepper and serve very hot.

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Bacon fat—the fat that escapes from the bacon during frying—is useful for many things. It should be carefully strained and kept in a dish by itself. It can be used to fry sweet potatoes or white potatoes in or for any recipe that calls for drippings.

To have your oven work well

If a coal range is used and one is having difficulty with the oven, it is well to see that the stove is clear of ashes and dust. There is nothing that causes so great a loss of heat energy as a layer of dust on top or beneath the oven. Take off the back lids of the stove and see that there is no dust forming a coating on top of the stove beneath the covers. This clean, open the air space beneath the oven and be quite as particular in cleaning that.

When baking cake, it must be remembered that a hotter oven is needed for cake that is mixed with water than if mixed with milk. If a cupful of water is placed in the lower part of the oven it is a factor in preventing anything burning while baking.

Occasionally a cake will rise high in the center of the loaf and then crack open; this is caused by too great heat.

Easy cooking

Bread and pies may be baked in the little tin oven on top of the stove at ever so much less cost of gas and it will almost always take the place of the big oven. When not in use it may stand on top of the table or on a shelf, and pies, cakes, bread and biscuits kept in it.

You may save yourself the bother of using the big broiler when only a couple of chops or a small steak are wanted. Instead use a small toaster with a little baking pan underneath to catch the drippings. The little toaster rests right on the baking pan.

Board for keys

A board provided with several hooks from which may be suspended keys is a convenience appreciated in the home where there are a number of keys to keep track of. That there may be no mistake as to the purpose of this holder, a pair of keys crossed is the sole decoration.

TO CLEAN A WHITE PLUSH CAP.

If Mrs. Cora W. Foote, of Kentucky, will use dry coarse or fine cornmeal, she can clean a white plush cap or white furs. Spread a clean paper on a table, place the article to be cleaned on it, and sprinkle with dry cornmeal; rub in as if washing, a small place at a time, until all is cleaned. Shake and beat hard outdoors, to remove the flour. I have cleaned white plush, white furs and white wool crocheted goods for years, and my mother did so before me.—Mrs. Annie D. Parker, Ohio.

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For the hastening years are bringing
The unborn future nigh;
The land we love is waiting you
To serve her by and by.

And oft when greed of evil hearts,
And sordid lust of gold,
Send shame and grief to loyal souls,
As the piteous tale is told,
Our courage springs to bear the ill,
In hope of days to be,
When they who wrote and they who rule
Shall worthily be free.

Yes, in the busy school room now,
And on the thronging street,
And in the field, and on the farm,
With joyous look we greet
The eager, bright, truth-telling boys.
Who mean such grand things when,
God helping them, they reach the line
When boys—how soon!—are men.
—Mrs. M. E. Sangster.

WHAT HAPPENED TO LLOYD'S TOAD.

Lloyd was fond of all the creation that
lived in the garden, from the robins high
up in the apple tree to the little ants
which built their homes in the gravel
walks. He was always careful not to
hurt any of them, but he thought some of
them more interesting than others. There
was a toad which he called his, and he
fed it with crumbs every day. He liked
to watch it as it hopped about among the
plants, darting out its bright red tongue
to catch any small insects which came in
its way.

One day Lloyd ran to his mother in
great excitement.

"My toad is trying to get his skin off!"
he cried.

It was true. When Lloyd and his
mother reached the toad they saw him
pulling his skin over his head, much in
the same way that a little girl would take
off her high-necked, long-sleeved apron,
only it was harder work for him.

He tugged away with his fore feet,
however, until he was free, and then what
a bright new-coat he displayed.

Lloyd was delighted, and he asked many
questions about toads, and the way in
which they changed their coats.—Emma
C. Dowd.

LESSON FOR A BOY.

I had overheard a conversation between
Karl and his mother. She had work for
him to do, which interfered with some of
his plans for enjoyment, and though
Karl obeyed her, it was not without a
good deal of grumbling. He had much to
say about never being allowed to do as
he pleased, and that it would be time
enough for him to settle down to work
when he was older. While the sense of
injury was strong upon him I came out
on the piazza beside him, and asked,
"Karl, why do you try to break that colt
of yours?"

The boy looked up in surprise. "Why,
I want him to be good for something."

"But he likes his own way," I objected.

"Why shouldn't he have it?"

By this time Karl was staring at me in
perplexity. "I'd like to know the good
of a horse that always has his own way!"
he said, as if indignant at my lack of com-
mon sense.

"And as for working," I went on, "I
should think there was time enough for
that when he gets to be an old horse."

"Why, don't you see, if he doesn't learn
when he's a colt—" Karl began. Then

he stopped, blushed, and looked at me
rather appealingly. I heard no more com-
plaints from him that day.—Church
Record.

THE RABBIT A COWARD.

Here is a little talk between a boy who
is a great hunter for his age and a woman
of his acquaintance, which shows that
cowardice sometimes depends on the way
things are looked at:

"A rabbit," said the young hunter, "is
the most awful coward that there is in
the world. My, how he does run from a
hunter!"

"So you think that the rabbit is a cow-
ard."

"Yes, of course."

"Well, let us 'suppose a little.' Sup-
pose you were about six or eight inches
tall."

"Well."

"And had good, strong, swift legs."

"Yes."

"And didn't have any gun, and a great
big fellow came after you who did have
one. What would you do?"

"What should I do? I should streak
it like lightning."

"I think you would, and I think, too,
that you would have your own ideas as to
who was the coward."—New York Re-
corder.

MAKE THE BEST OF IT.

The children lived in a little cabin home,
and all three of them—Neil, Rob and Liz-
zie—were taking a gay "make-believe" ride
on an old log. Fido jumped and barked
as if he enjoyed the fun as much as any-
body.

A gentleman who was passing down the
road stopped and laughed at the gay time
the children were having.

"Good morning, little folks. That is
rather slow riding. Wouldn't you like a
horse and carriage?"

"Yes, sir," said Robbie, "but we haven't
any, and so we are getting the most fun
we can out of what we do have."

Was not that a wise answer? How
much pleasanter this world would be if all
the little people—and the big ones, too—
would stop fretting about the things they
cannot get and make the best of what
they have.—Little Ones.

**LITTLE BLIND GIRL AIDED BY PRESI-
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General was followed by an order waiving
in this case a regulation which forbids
that any one but a carrier shall ride on a
mail wagon.

STANDING UP FOR PAW.

"Say, paw."

"Well?"

"When I was over at the Uphams' yis-
tady they was some neighbors there, and
they got to talkin' about you and maw,
and one of them said you was such a con-
ventional man, and then I said you wasn't
half as conventional as maw, 'cause she's
always goin' away to a convention of

some kind or 'nother, and they laffed and laffed and laffed, and I been wonderin' ever since what—

"Here's a quarter. Run out and buy yourself something. I think I hear your maw coming up the front steps."—Record-Herald.

USING THE PIECES.

Some years ago there lived a worker in Italy, a great artist in mosaics. His skill was wonderful. With bits of glass and stone he could produce the most striking works of art—works that were valued at thousands of pounds.

In his workshop was a poor little boy whose business it was to clean up the floor and tidy up the room after the day's work was done. He was a quiet little fellow, and always did his work well. That was all the artist knew about him.

One day he came to his master and asked timidly, "Please, master, may I have for my own bits of glass you throw upon the floor?"

"Why, yes, boy," said the artist. "The bits are good for nothing; do as you please with them."

Day after day, then, the child might have been seen studying the broken pieces found on the floor, laying some on one side and throwing others away. He was a faithful little servant, and so year after year went by and found him still in the workshop.

One day his master entered a storeroom little used, and, in looking around, came upon a piece of work carefully hid behind the rubbish. He brought it to the light, and to his surprise found a noble work of art neatly finished. He gazed at it in speechless amazement.

"What great artist could have hidden his work in my studio?"

At that moment the young servant entered the door. He stopped short on seeing his master, and when he saw the work in his hands a deep flush dyed his face.

"What is this?" cried the artist. "Tell me what great artist has hidden his masterpieces here?"

"Oh, master," faltered the astonished boy, "it is only my poor work. You know you said I might have the broken bits you threw away."

The child with an artist soul had gathered up the fragments, and patiently, lovingly, wrought them into a wonderful work of art.—Selected.

When twilight dews are falling soft
Upon the rosy sea, love,
I watch the star whose beam so oft
Has lighted me to thee, love.

A CURE FOR FRETTERS.

A little girl who was a fretter had been visiting me, writes a contributor to one of our exchanges. She fretted when it rained, and she fretted when the sun shone; she fretted when little girls came to see her, and she fretted when they did not. It is dreadful to be a fretter.

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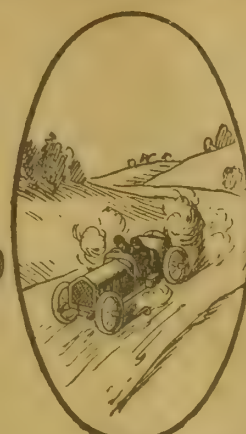
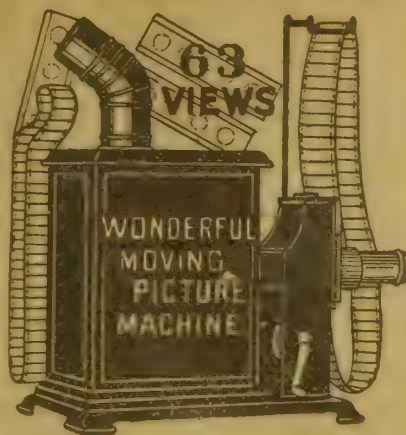
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Pineapple Tapioca—Soak one cupful of tapioca over night. In the morning pour off the water and add one-half cupful of hot water, the juice of one can of shredded pineapple and one large lemon. Cook until clear. Then add one and one-half cupfuls of sugar and let come to the boiling point. Add the pineapple and the well-beaten whites of three eggs. Serve with a custard sauce made from the yolks of the eggs.

Fried Corn Cakes—Place in a bowl half a pound of cornmeal flour with two tablespoonfuls of butter, two tablespoonfuls of baking powder, one egg and three tablespoonfuls of milk. Beat all well together. Lightly butter a large frying pan, drop the cornmeal preparation by spoonfuls into the pan, keeping them a little apart, fry for four minutes on each side to a nice light brown. Remove, drain on a cloth and serve.

Cream Mutton Leg—Wash the leg of mutton carefully, put in a deep kettle with one cupful of water, one tablespoonful of salt, one-half a small onion, one pinch of mace; cover tight and simmer until well cooked, adding a little water as often as found necessary. Rub one tablespoonful of butter and one of flour smooth, and add one pint of milk and cook until thick. Pour over the cooked meat and let steep for twenty minutes before serving. Serve very hot.

Chicken Gumbo—Fry a young chicken brown, and boil one pint of okra fifteen minutes, adding after the first ten minutes four ears of corn, cutting the kernels from the cob, but cooking the cobs with the okra, in order to get their juices. Put the chicken in a porcelain-lined pot, adding corn, okra, four large tomatoes, peeled and sliced, one pod of sweet red pepper, and a cupful of thickened gravy. Add a pint of boiling water and cook gently for an hour. Take out the chicken bones, strain, then add a quart of rich milk, a pint of fine white bread crumbs, a large cupful of the chicken breast, finely chopped, and, if desired extra good, one cupful of blanched almonds, ground fine. Bring quickly to a boil, stirring frequently, and serve at once.

Lemon Rice Pudding—One quart of milk, one cupful of rice, three eggs, three heaping tablespoonfuls of sugar, the grated rind of two lemons, three-fourths of a teaspoonful of salt. Scald the milk in a double boiler and boil the rice in it until the kernels are very soft. Stir together the yolks of the eggs, the sugar, salt and grated lemon rind. Pour gradually on this the hot rice and milk, thinning if necessary with a little more milk to make it somewhat thicker than a boiled custard. Turn into a pudding dish and bake in a moderate oven ten minutes. Beat the whites of the eggs stiff and gradually add to them eight tablespoonfuls of sugar and the juice of the two lemons. Cover the pudding with this meringue and bake until a delicate brown. The lemon juice sinks down into the rice custard and, without curdling, gives it an unusual and attractive flavor. Serve very cold.

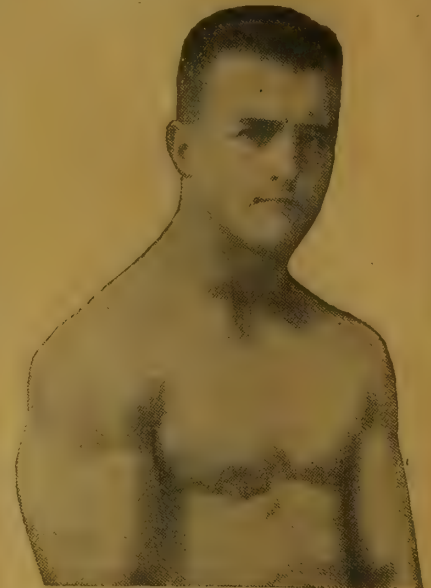
French Rice Pudding—Pick over one-half cupful of rice; put it in a strainer in a pan of cold water and wash and rub it well till the water is clear. Put one-half cupful of water in the upper boiler, add one scant level teaspoonful of salt, and when boiling add the rice. Let it cook directly over the heat until the water is absorbed. This intense heat will burst the starch grains and insure thorough cooking. Then set the boiler over the lower part, add one cupful of hot milk and let it cook by steam until very soft. It need not be stirred; if the milk is absorbed before the rice is tender, add a little more. When the rice is tender, cream one rounded tablespoonful of butter with one rounded tablespoonful of sugar, add one beaten egg and beat well. Stir this into the rice, and by the time the mixture is blended the eggs will be sufficiently cooked. Stir in one-half cupful of French candied fruit cut fine; use any one alone or a mixture as preferred. Cherries, apricots, pineapple and plums or pears make a good combination. Serve hot with a sauce of sweetened cream or any left-over fruit syrup.

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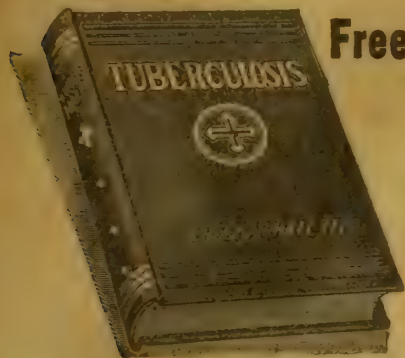
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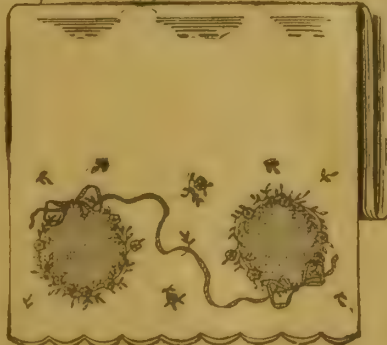
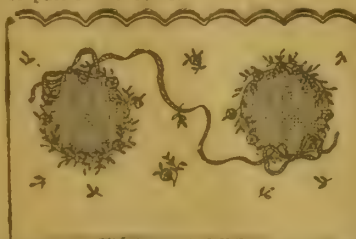
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White lawn waist, beautifully embroidered; new style pencil stripe, navy skirt; black cotton petticoat, silk finish; and a neat black traveling suitcase free.



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The above is O. E. Brooks, inventor of the Appliance, who cured himself and who has been curing others for over 80 years. If ruptured, write him today.

If you have tried most everything else, come to me. Where others fail is where I have my greatest success. Send attached coupon today and I will send you free my illustrated book on rupture and its cure, showing my Appliance and giving you prices and names of many people who have tried it and were cured. It is instant relief when all others fail. Remember, I use no salves, no harness, no lies.

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FREE INFORMATION COUPON

C. E. Brooks, 1780 State Street, Marshall, Mich.

Please send me by mail in plain wrapper your illustrated book and full information about your Appliance for the cure of rupture.

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Our Puzzle Corner

Conducted by Edgar D. Melville

[Address all communications pertaining to this department to "Our Puzzle Corner," 931 Madison Street, Chester, Pa.]

NEW PUZZLES

No. 1—MISSING WORD PUZZLE

Each missing word comprises six letters.

A _____ sat in his gray _____ play

Watching the moonbeams _____

On a keg that in the bushes lay,

And the leaves with their _____ took up the song,

Thou _____ the brave, thou _____ the strong,

To thee both result of great battles belong,

John Barleycorn, my king.

—Herman L. Roth, West Virginia.

No. 2—GEOGRAPHICAL POSER

Find a gulf of North America. Pick out the names of two animals, leaving the following letters remain, g, u, l, f, o.

—Mabel Bloom, Washington.

No. 3—SQUARE

1. A kind of fish. 2. Over. 3. Mohammedan Scripture. 4. Egg-shaped. 5. Any opinion.

—Mrs. Jennie Shaw, Pennsylvania.

No. 4—SHORT SQUARES

Example:

R A V A G E
V A C A N T
G E N T L Y

Read across, then down in twos.

1. A royal chair of state. 3. Muscular. 3. To cuddle.

1. Estimation. 2. An advocate of purism. 3. Proved.

1. Repeal. 2. Those who vote. 3. Homespun.

—Dew, Maryland.

No. 5—SQUARE

1. Not thin. 2. Partaken of food. 3. A number.

—Verna Langerman, Kansas.

PRIZE OFFERS

For the best list of answers to the puzzles this month, assortment of souvenir post cards; for the second best list, package of Wonder Polish; for the third best list, three Colorado pens.

For the best batch of original puzzles this month; an assortment of souvenir post cards; for the second best batch, three Colorado pens.

ANSWERS TO JANUARY PUZZLES

No. 1—France-s, Mar-y, Car-l, Pau-l, Har-riet, Ada-m.

No. 2—
W I T H
I D E A
T E A R
I I A R M

No. 3—A-spire. S-peck. N-ape.

No. 4—Lie. Rely. Were. Die. Tie. Duke. Wild Turkey.

No. 5—
D
P A N
D A M O N
N O X
N

No. 6—
R e a L
U n d O
T a i p e I
H a t S

JANUARY PRIZE WINNERS

Best list of answers, Edwin R. Briggs, West Bethel, Maine.

Second best list, Mrs. E. W. Depue, Kensington, Md.

Third best list, Jno. A. Lyndon, R. F. D. No. 3, Delavan Lake, Wis.

Fourth best list, Ruby M. Oxley, Ventura, Iowa.

Best batch of original puzzles, Leontine Andrews, 1218 Fifth Street, Escanaba, Mich.

SILK All Fancy Colors—Large Pieces—All PURE SILK

Waste taken out. Best sort to make Quilts, Cushions, etc. Big lot 10c; 3 Big lots 25c; 7 for 50c; 16 for \$1.00, postpaid. **INDIA SILK CO., MOKINLEY PARK, CHICAGO**

Our Fine New Set of 50 Post Cards For Only 2 Cents

By Our Easy Plan

Selected for the Season of 1914

These Post Cards are absolutely new and the finest that can be produced. They are our own selection. Each card contains a pretty verse of sentiment suitable for any time or person. While the supply lasts we want all our friends to get a set of these handsome cards.

This set contains Handsome Remembrance, Birthday, Friendship, Floral and Motto Cards in Gold, Silver and Colors. Also

NEW EASTER CARDS

Remember, every card is a handsome work of art; every flower is shaded in the most natural, life-like and gorgeously beautiful colors. These Souvenir Post Cards represent the very best in the post card line. These cards you can mail to your friends at any time.

The purpose of this advertisement is not to sell you this set of post cards, but to get in touch with people who appreciate post cards. We have a special proposition to make to all such people.

Cut out and mail this coupon with 2 cents

The Household Journal, Springfield, Ohio:

Send to me the 10 Motto, Birthday, Friendship and Remembrance Post Cards by return mail, and I will show them to at least 10 of my friends. Enclosed find 2 cents in stamps to pay postage, etc.

Name

P. O.

State

Street or R. F. D.

Tell me how I can get the entire set of 50 Free.

FREE! Six (6) Fringed Damask Towels

Latest Floral Design



By a very fortunate purchase of a large quantity of these excellent quality Bleached Damask Towels, size 17 by 36 inches, latest floral design, woven red floral borders, with fringe, we are able to make the following offer to our readers:

Send us only the small club of 6 yearly subscribers for this magazine at 25 cents each, and we will send you free of any charge and delivery charges prepaid anywhere in the United States, One-Half Dozen of these good quality Bleached Damask Fringed Towels, each one yard long. Address all orders to

HOUSEHOLD JOURNAL, SPRINGFIELD, OHIO

Get This Set of Dishes Free



IF IT were possible for us to show you a set of the dishes, we are sure that you would accept our proposition at once. The illustration does not in any way do the set justice, but it is the best means we have of putting the proposition before you.

This Floral Set of 31 Pieces

is of the very best quality of ware that can be had in this country. Made of imported clays by long-experienced and skilled workmen. They correspond very favorably with the fine imported ware. Every dish, cup and saucer is carefully inspected before shipping. We guarantee absolute safe and quick delivery of the entire set. If you really want this beautiful set of dishes, and we know you surely do, we have

A Plan That Makes It Very Easy for You to Get This Set

Just as soon as we receive your coupon we will send you a set of 20 post cards of the very best that are printed today. All you have to do is to get 16 of your friends to give you 25 cents each for a year's subscription to The Household Journal combined with Floral Life and a set of post cards just like the ones we will send you. We will mail the post cards direct to the subscribers.

It is very easy to get a club of 16 subscriptions to this magazine, and just as soon as you send us the names and the \$4.00 you have collected,

We Will Promptly Ship to You the Entire Set of 31 Pieces of This Special Floral Set

There is absolutely nothing about this transaction that is not made plain in this advertisement. The dishes do not cost you any money at all.

HOUSEHOLD JOURNAL, Springfield, Ohio

MAIL THIS DISH COUPON TODAY

HOUSEHOLD JOURNAL, Springfield, Ohio

Gentlemen:—I want the 31 piece Floral Set of Dishes. Send me your set of 20 post cards, so that I can show them to 16 of my friends.

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FREE---Lock-Stitch Sewing Awl

A Great Money Saver Worth Its Weight in Gold



You Can Mend Anything With This Awl

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With this Awl you can make a complete set of Harness or repair an old one

When taking long drives, hunting, tenting or fishing trips be sure to take your awl along. The other day there was a plumber and his helper in our building putting in a steam pipe; the plumber saw the awls, picked one up, looked at it, and without any instructions from any one began to sew the heavy strap on his leather tool bag, and he had never seen an awl before. In two minutes he had the repair made. He straightened up and said, "Boys, it's fine."

Every Awl is Guaranteed. Your Money Back if You Want it
One Awl complete with two needles and one year's subscription to THE HOUSEHOLD JOURNAL for 60 Cents,

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Send your order today to THE HOUSEHOLD JOURNAL, Springfield, Ohio

Add only 10 cents when accepting the above offer and you will receive the Farm Journal one year on trial. It is the leading farm paper of the world.



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Repairing Harness



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Mail This \$1.00 Coupon

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Address

This Coupon is good for a \$1 Treatment
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IF YOU HAVE PILES

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Pleasantries

Teacher—"Charles, tell what you know of the Mongolian race."
Charles—"I wasn't there. I went to the ball game."

"Are you acquainted with Mrs. Hidy, your fashionable neighbor?"
"Only in a round-about way. Her cat boards at my house."

"How do you like my biscuit, hubby? I got the recipe out of a paper."
"Well, my dear, I found a button in one and a feather in another. Maybe you got the cooking recipe mixed with the fashion hints."

Tomkins—"That's a handsome umbrella you've got there, Gibbs."
"Yes, Tomkins."
"About what does it cost to carry an umbrella like that?"
"Eternal vigilance."

"I never knew till I got a car," said Bishop Eightly, "that profanity was so prevalent."
"Do you hear much of it on the road?" I asked.
"Why," said the bishop, "nearly everybody I bump into swears dreadfully."

A month-old Jersey calf was nibbling at the grass in the yard, and the summer girl eyed it doubtfully.
"Tell me," she said, turning impulsively to her hostess, "does it really pay to keep as small a cow as that?"—Lippincott's.

"Brown sent me a brick by parcel post, but I got even with him."
"What did you do?"
"Passed the word along to a number of agents that he was figuring on taking out more life insurance."—Detroit Free Press.

While traveling through the rural districts of Missouri, a book salesman approached a farmer and stood for several minutes importuning him to buy the book he was selling. Presently the farmer blinked his eyes and said:

"No, it ain't no use. I can't read."
The salesman paused a moment and then said:
"But you must have some one in your home that can read. Your wife, your children—I know they would be interested."
"Yes, my daughter can read," replied the Missourian, "but she's got a book."—Lippincott's.

"There's no pleasing some people," said the janitor.

"What's the trouble?"
"A family upstairs telephoned me that they were trying to play 'The Anvil Chorus' on the phonograph, and wouldn't I please regulate the knocking of the radiator so as to keep it in time to the music."

Mrs. Penfield—"My husband has found a way by which he says I am of the greatest help to him in his literary work."

Mrs. Hillaire—"How nice that must be for you, my dear! But how are you able to do it?"
Mrs. Penfield—"As soon as I see him at his desk I go into another room and keep perfectly quiet until he has finished."

A physician tells in the Newark Star a story of a philanthropic doctor in a Pennsylvania mining town who gave a new thermometer to each family, with the urgent advice to keep their houses at a proper temperature.

When he was making his rounds one day he saw his thermometer hanging in the room. He asked the woman of the house—if she remembered his instructions.

"Indeed, sir, I do," was the response. "I hang the thing right up here and I watch it carefully to see it does not get too high."

"Good!" exclaimed the doctor. "And what do you do when the temperature rises above seventy degrees?"

"Why, sir," answered the woman, with the air of one faithful to a trust, "when it gets too high I take it down and put it outside until it cools off."

CAUSE FOR DAMAGES.

"Say, Tom," said Jack, "did you know that Bill was going to sue the company for damages?"

"No, you don't say so!" was the answer.
"Wot did they do to 'im?"
"Why," explained Jack, "they blew the quit-tin' whistle when 'e was carryin' a 'cavy piece of iron, an' 'e dropped it on 'is foot."

HAVE YOU A BAD LIVER?

Liver sufferers usually complain of a fullness at the right side, a sense of bloating, with a dull, heavy pain, and often a disagreeable pain in the shoulder joint. Skin is usually pale and yellow, with puffs beneath the eyes, tongue is coated and life is made miserable by headaches, bitter taste in the mouth, fever, restlessness, constipation, loss of appetite, etc. Bodi-Tone is very successful in removing these and other Liver symptoms because of its special action in this important organ. You can try a dollar box without a penny. See offer on page 33.

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Magnificent Ponies With Saddles and Bridles will be Given Away



NOW, Boys and Girls, I have decided on a plan that will be the best opportunity you have ever had to earn a genuine Shetland pony and saddle and bridle. The most wonderful pony contest that has ever been conducted by any one. Do not wait a moment; make up your mind today and start in. An elegant opportunity.

These are the finest I can buy, and are the genuine Shetland ponies that have become so famous as pets because of their kind disposition. Well trained and easy to drive or ride. About 42 inches high. Every one a beauty, and worth from \$100 to \$150, but you get one without it costing you a cent.

Don't Send Any Money Just Hurry. Write Today

Every Boy and Girl Writing Me Can Get a Prize.

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I wish all to know how satisfactory the Excelsior Telescope is. Our farm is on the highest point in the surrounding country. One mile south of the junction of Walnut and Arkansas

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Again thanking you for a square deal, I remain,
Yours truly, F. G. Patton, Kan.

POSITIVELY such a good Telescope was never sold for this price before. These Telescopes are made by one of the largest manufacturers of Europe; measure closed, 12 inches, and open over 3 feet in four sections. They are brass bound, brass safety cap on each end to exclude dust, etc., with powerful lenses, scientifically ground and adjusted. Guaranteed by the maker. Every sojourner in the country or at seaside resorts should certainly secure one of these instruments, and no farmer should be without one. Objects miles away are brought to view with astonishing clearness.



Watching an Eclipse with the Excelsior Solar Telescope.

Here is the greatest combined source of pleasure, education and practical usefulness that we have ever seen. Everyone is delighted with it and would not take many times the cost of it.

Count
Cattle 20
Miles Away



A Kansas Farmer Counting Stock 20 Miles Away.

Use This Coupon

This offer may not appear again. This is your one chance to get this bargain

These telescopes are imported from German manufacturers. They represent the best skill of the old world. Labor there is much cheaper than here, hence the low price at which these wonderful telescopes are able to be sold. We know that a bigger value has never been offered to the American public than this telescope at \$1.00.

We guarantee this telescope to be as represented in every way. It is marked for adjustment, so that any one can adjust it to the marks, and by a little practice can regulate the lens for various distances.

Give the boy a telescope. Interest him in the study of the planets. Let him experiment with the lens and reflectors. Some genius some day will harness the sun and with its warm rays, heat our dwellings and generate the steam that runs our factories. It may be your boy if he is given a few ideas now to think about. It certainly is within the limit of possibilities.

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We have scores of testimonials telling us that they will not take 85 to 100 for their instrument, if they could not get another one. They give universal satisfaction. Every one is delighted.

Be the first to own one of these telescopes in your neighborhood. It will be a great source of profit, entertainment, knowledge and fun. This is your one chance. Don't miss it. Send your order at once. Use the coupon in the corner. It will save you writing a letter.

All orders will be promptly filled in order as they are received at our office. You can enclose a \$1 bill or send post office money order, as you like. If you want your telescope to go by insured mail, add 15c extra. Do it today.

Coupon Order Blank

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WRITE today for our new Edison Catalog—the catalog that tells you all about the wonderful new model Edison with Mr. Edison's new diamond point reproducer. It will also tell you about our new Edison offer! Now read:

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Remember, not a penny down—no deposit—no guarantee—no C. O. D. to us—no obligation to buy—a full free trial in your own home—direct from us—direct to you. Returnable at our expense or payable (if you want to keep it) at the actual rock-bottom price direct from us.

The Reason: Why should we make such an ultra-liberal offer? Well, we'll tell you:—we are tremendously proud of this magnificent new instrument. When you get it in your town we know everybody will say that nothing like it has ever been heard—so wonderful, so grand, so beautiful, such a king of entertainers—so we are pretty sure that at least some one, if not you, then somebody else, will want to buy one of these new style Edisons especially as they are being offered now at the most astounding rock-bottom price and on easy terms as low as \$2.00 a month.

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Such a variety of entertainment! Here the latest up-to-date song hits of the big cities, Laugh until the tears stream down your face and your sides ache from laughing at the funniest of funny minstrel shows. Hear the grand old church hymns, the majestic choirs. Hear the pealing organs, the crashing brass bands, the waiters, the two-steps, the solos, duets and quartettes. All will be yours with the Edison in your home. Send the coupon TODAY.

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All are guaranteed to reach you in good condition and guaranteed to Bloom the first year—or your money back.

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No. 9—WHITE MAMAN COCHET—Creamy-white.
No. 10—WILLIAM R. SMITH—Salmon-pink.
No. 11—SOUVENIR DE PRESIDENT CARNOT—Flesh.
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No. 16—BESSIE BROWN—Creamy-white.
No. 17—CHAMPION OF THE WORLD—Pink.
No. 18—CLOTHILDE SOUPERT—Ivory-white.
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A Journey to the City That Leads the World in Growing Flowers

By ADOLPH KRUHM, of Columbus, Ohio

Among millions of other plants grown every year in Springfield, Ohio, more than seven million roses play an important part. When you think of it that more than five million of these are the yearly product of one firm, you will realize that I accepted its president's invitation to visit among the plants with rather keen anticipation. The camera was my faithful companion and some impressions we secured during our little journeys are given here for the benefit of the hundreds of thousands of readers who read this magazine.

Over one hundred acres in flowers outdoors and over one hundred large greenhouses present a sight the like of which is rarely found. There are roses of all sorts, all kinds, all colors, all shades. The florists around here breathe roses,

extraordinary. Is it a wonder that, under the circumstances, nobody disputes Springfield's claim to "the world's greatest rose center"?

The growers attribute part of the reason for the success of their roses to the fact that they are propagated at that time of year when the rose wants to make its natural growth, viz., during spring and summer. Beginning in March, the benches of the "acres of greenhouses" are set out to "mother plants" which are to produce the "slips" or cuttings. As the sun grows warmer, and the heat in the greenhouses increases, millions of new, tender shoots are sent forth by the thousands of plants and these new shoots are what the grower calls "the propagation wood," which is converted into the cuttings as shown in the illustration.

Frames are then covered with sash which is shaded with canvas.

For three weeks the cuttings remain in these frames, which are carefully watered and shaded according to firm rules taught by experience. At the end of that period,



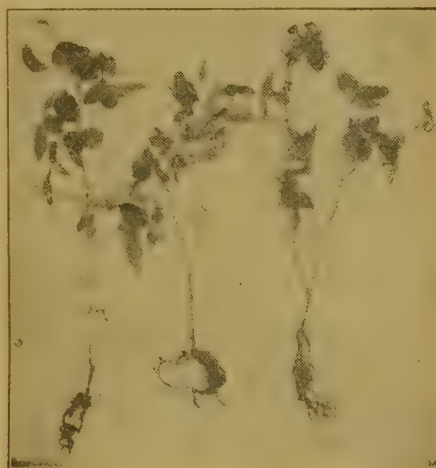
The Roses in Bloom

live roses and talk roses. The spirit of the industry impresses every one who comes in contact with it and usually one comes away as an enthusiast about roses on their own roots, rather than budded stock. But before going into detail as to the process of "manufacturing" roses, a few general statements will not go amiss.

About five hundred distinct varieties of roses are under actual cultivation in the Springfield greenhouses and the experts in charge of propagation know them all. The quantities of young plants of popular sorts which are produced are a revelation. Three different "propagations," or multiplying the roses by cuttings, are made in the course of the season. To plant 200,000 cuttings of Maman Cochet, 65,000 Marechal Niel, 50,000 Frau Druschki, etc., at one time is not thought of as anything

The process of taking "cuttings" from the mother plant is carried on throughout the summer. Not all sorts are ready for cutting at one time. Some should be "cut" while the wood is quite green and soft, while with others, the propagator must wait until the "wood" is hardened in a proper degree. This is a matter that cannot be explained on paper. It is intuition, instinct, or anything you choose to call it, but it is a gift possessed by but few individuals.

Failures with cuttings are practically unknown with these expert growers, and as a result Springfield florists supply more own-root roses to more planters direct and to more dealers who sell again than any other shipping point. As soon as the cuttings are made, they are taken to frames outdoors, and are planted in sand.



The Plants, Showing Roots

the cuttings are well rooted. They are then taken to the greenhouses and potted in small "thumb" pots, measuring one and one-half inches across the top.

Five weeks elapse and our little rose, which is now eight weeks old (its life began when the wood was "cut" from the parent plant), has outgrown the thumb



The Cuttings

pot and is now shifted into a larger home, a pot measuring two and one-half inches across the top. In these pots the roses remain, are gradually hardened and kept in a so-called "semi-dormant" condition until shipping time in the spring.

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wandered along and studied the evolution of a healthy, sturdy rose plant from a tiny cutting: Absolutely no fertilizer is used during any period of its development. The plants are just coaxed to develop in a natural way. They get plenty of fresh air, as much water as they need and an abundance of sunshine. But nothing whatever is done to "force" their growth, and for this reason they "make good" later on even under trying conditions.

By way of explanation, I was shown wherein a pot-grown rose surpasses a field-grown plant. All roses have both tap roots and fibrous roots. The mission of the tap root is to hold the plant in position, while the fibrous roots feed it. Field-grown plants develop mostly tap roots the first year, to the detriment of

the blooming qualities of the plant. By the Springfield system of growing roses, the plants have ample fibrous roots when you get them and this insures their making a prompt start at blooming.

Finally I was introduced into the packing rooms, where many hands are busy to properly prepare roses for their journey to the homes of rose lovers and gardeners. Every care is exercised to insure safe arrival of the plants in thrifty, growing condition. Proofs are on record according to which plants from Springfield reached missionaries in darkest Africa in live condition, after a trip of three months. Surely, anybody in our country can bank on getting roses in tiptop shape, and I was told that all are guaranteed to bloom the first year.

World's Rose Wizards to Compete at Panama Pacific International Exposition

By GRANT WALLACE

Announcement that the Panama-Pacific International Exposition will be the theater for the world's greatest rose-creating contest will be of peculiar interest to all rose lovers. In competition for the \$1,000 trophy—the grand prix—and for the gold and silver medals and certificate of merit, all the leading rose creators of the United States as well as of South America and Europe are expected to enter their new and unnamed hybrids. No "sports" will be admitted. All will be inbred hybrids, achieved by cross-pollination, and most of the new aspirants to queenly honors will be the hybrid teas, blooming monthly. In color many of the entrants are wonderfully beautiful, of hues and forms never before seen in cultivation.

In addition to the American growers and fanciers, the most renowned "Burbanks of the Rose" from across 'the pond'—men whose creations for years have graced most of our gardens—will enter their best unnamed plants in competition. These growers include Hugh Dickson, of the Royal Nurseries, Belfast, Ireland, whose exposition display has been selected from about 100,000 seedling hybrids; Samuel McGredy, of the Portadown, Ireland, Royal Rose Gardens, who, in making his shipment, announced that he would name one of his finest new roses the "Dennison," in honor of the exposition's chief of horticulture, George A. Dennison, to whose keen interest in assembling the newest and most valuable creations of flowers, fruits and nuts, for the benefit of exposition visitors, the assured success of the magnificent horticultural exhibits is due.

Two other foreign competitors for rose-creating honors are Souper & Notting, of Luxemburg, on the Franco-German frontier, creators of many famous roses of the souper and Kaiserin types; and Perret-Ducher, of Lyons, France, whose work for two or three generations in developing new strains of worthy rivals to the Jacqueminot, La France and Marechal Niel roses has given them fame equal to that of their Irish, German and English competitors.

These four internationally famous growers alone will enter over one hundred new, unnamed roses in the exposition trophy competition. These plants already have been shipped and are now on their way to San Francisco, where they will be set out of doors and acclimated in the exposition grounds within a stone's throw of the bay, close by the Golden Gate—an

easy task in a climate where frost is unknown.

Practically all America, also, will compete for rose honors; the Pacific coast, the natural home of the all-the-year-round bloomers, being particularly well represented. Southern California, the Santa Clara Valley, Oakland, the bay cities, Oregon and Washington, all will send competitive exhibits. Of the eastern exhibitors, three of the best known are Chas. H. Totty, of Madison, N. J., who will show the complete new stock of a famous English grower, and E. G. Hill, of Richmond, Ind., who also has been active in securing foreign offerings for the 1910 jubilee. The well-known Good & Reese Company, of Springfield, Ohio, the largest rose growers in the world, will also be represented.

The aim of all these wizards has been to extend the seasonal blooming period or periods, as well as to improve the color and form of the bloom. Most of the new creations are of the hybrid perpetual type, and many are said to bloom practically all the year round. The colors are described as being in many cases wonderfully beautiful. The Irish offerings range, for example, from what the originators describe as "light chacoise yellow, flushed with pearl-pink," through reddish copper and bronzy ecru, Indian reds and brilliant velvet crimsons, to a rose more nearly a perfect black than any of the old types. Blue roses, so called, of several types, also will be entered.

Another distinct novelty is a hybrid perpetual bedder of a beautiful camellia form, and in color a rich golden-yellow with deep Indian yellow anthers, which remains in bloom an extraordinary long time. This it is hoped will go far toward solving the difficult problem of producing a golden rose of a new and more attractive type than any before known.

At the Panama-Pacific International Exposition the lover of flowers will be able to stroll among the most wonderful winter-to-winter gardens ever displayed at an exposition. By means of three seasonal replantings, the gardens and courts will be kept in a state of unending bloom—a thing never before attempted at an exposition. Indeed, the whole exposition—an opal city for color—will be set down on a Persian rug of harmonious and enduring tints. This will appeal to the lover of the beautiful on his aesthetic side; and on the practical side the new and improved species from the world over, there

displayed, will be no less alluring and uplifting than the rest of the \$50,000,000 show place; for each new flower and fruit is an ideal visualized, even more than is the statue or the bejeweled Travertine marble palaces which these plants frame and embellish.

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Every heart is singing,
Join to praise and pray,
For the joy and gladness
Of this Easter day.

A LEGEND OF THE ROSE.

Long, long ago when the earth was very young and very fair, says an Indian legend, the roses grew everywhere, giving their beauty and their fragrance freely to all creatures. No spiny points or stems or leaf pricked those who bent to enjoy the perfume of the sweet blossoms, and any one might gather the flowers without fear of being scratched, for the first roses had no thorns. But, alas, for the poor roses, their sweetness and glory caused them to be threatened with destruction. The animals which live upon grasses and herbs soon found that a rose bush made a delightful meal, and that the roses themselves were the daintiest kind of morsels.

"What shall we do?" cried one rose bush to another. "See my tattered leaves and broken branches!"

"All my baby buds were devoured today," was the sorrowful answer. "My best blossoms, too, that I was holding up so proudly for all the world to see and enjoy, have been eaten by the animals that passed by."

So the roses told their troubles to one another, but they were powerless to protect themselves. Soon so many of them perished that there was danger of the whole tribe of roses vanishing from the earth, and a council of all the roses was called.

"We must send to the Head of all the tribes," announced the chief of the roses, as he looked around on the ragged and tattered bushes. "We will send some of our number who have escaped being hurt and some whose beauty has been spoiled by the greedy animals, so the Head of all the tribes can understand what danger we are in."

When the rose delegates presented themselves before the Head of all tribes he was filled with pity for the poor unfortunates.

"You are in danger because you are so sweet and so beautiful," he cried. "You have not been given weapons with which to defend yourselves, and you have no armor to protect you. I shall give you something that will not spoil your beauty, but that you can use in case of need. You must each have a suit of armor."

Of course, the roses were delighted and soon all of them were armed against their enemies. The animals which tried to eat the sweet blossoms found their mouths full of thorns, and it did not take long for the word to be passed among the eaters of grass that roses were made to be seen and not to be devoured. Thus the roses were saved from destruction, and that is the way, so the Indians say, that roses came to have thorns.

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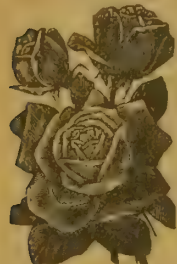
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I will enter in the Floral Prize Contest. The aster is my favorite flower. I have grown them for the last eight years with good success. Last season the bed for them was about six feet by ten feet, which was prepared in the fall, enriched with well-rotted cow manure and a few wood ashes, all well spaded in. I planted the seed as soon as the ground would work well in the spring. I have planted in the house and open ground also, and do not think there is anything gained, as the sowing in the open ground will outgrow the others. I hoe and weed the same as the garden, and mulch with old sawdust, which has proven a good mulch. I would water them once a week with a barrel of water which had stood in the tank all day. I would water them in the evening and put on slow with a sprinkler. In this bed I planted the branching class, the colors of which are clear and handsome. I think I must have had a wagon bed full of the most beautiful flowers. There are many other good classes, but I think good, true seed is an important thing.—Mrs. Logan E. Pogue, Illinois.

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I have derived more pleasure in growing the gaillardia, both annual and perennial, than any other of the many flowers in my garden. They are very easy of culture, and thrive in almost any soil or position. The seed of the perennial, if planted early in a hotbed and transplanted, will flower in July or August. But after they are once started they will grow thousands of little shoots from the old roots. In September I separate these and plant them whole in rows in my garden and cultivate as any vegetable. They begin to bloom early in June and continue until after hard frosts. I cut a whole jardiniere of blooms the twentieth of November. The flowers last for two weeks or more if the leaves are trimmed off before putting in water. Unfortunately, there is no fragrance to this wonderful flower, yet their striking brilliant colors in shades of orange, red and yellow attract the attention of every passerby, and the profusion of bloom and lasting qualities make up for the lack of perfume, and they bring cheer and sunshine wherever they are grown.—Mrs. Mial E. Lilley, Pennsylvania.

ASPARAGUS SPRENGERI.

I find it impossible to decide with what flower I have succeeded best, but will write of an Asparagus Sprengeri. I ordered a small root, paying only ten cents. The plant was small, with three or four tiny tubers on the root. I set it in a small porous pot and it lost no time in

sulking, but diligently took up with all the help that went its way.

I kept the plant nearly all the time in a window of the living room, where it had the morning sun till about ten o'clock. I changed the soil and pot as the growth increased, using about an equal mixture of wood dirt and garden loam, with a little sand in it. Once or twice a week I used steeped tobacco leaves and other plant fertilizers. When it was in need of washing, I spread it on the lawn and washed it with a sprinkler. I never discovered any insects on it, and when I wished for foliage for a bouquet I cut all I wished with a sharp knife. So I cannot claim to have given the plant any special care. It grew with extreme rapidity and seemed never to need a rest, but I withheld water and fertilizers during the early winter months.

The first year a stand was used to hold it; the second year it occupied a bracket half way up the window; the third year it had to be hung near the ceiling overhead and many long branches nipped to prevent them from reaching the floor. The fourth and fifth winters a large table with a smaller one on top of it did duty for a flower stand, and I spread the Asparagus vines all over the other plants. It had grown so large that I decided to present it to a passenger-station agent for the ladies' waiting room, and needless to say, it was accepted without a moment's hesitation.

For three years it hung there, an object of general admiration, but the agent was removed to another place, and the plant was moved also.—A. McGettrick, New Hampshire.

CULTURE OF GLADIOLUS.

To the busy housewife, who has many cares, and little time to devote to flowers, perhaps there is no flower that repays one more fully than the gladiolus for the little care required to produce really fine specimens. I used to start the bulbs early in the house, but one year, being unable to start them at the usual time, I placed them directly in the flower garden, about the middle of May. The weather was warm and moist for a few days and the bulbs sprouted immediately and made marvelous growth and gave me an abundance of blooms at the usual time. If one starts with only a dozen fine bulbs, in a few years these will have increased to such an extent that an abundance will be the result. Allow the bulbs to fully ripen in the fall before cutting the tops off.—Mrs. Ella F. Flanders.

CHRISTMAS CACTUS.

The flower I have best success in growing is the Christmas cactus. Three years ago I planted a small slip in a six-inch pot in common garden soil, with charcoal in the bottom of the pot for drainage. I kept it on the east porch in the summer time, and keep rather dry, and in October I bring into the west window and water

thoroughly by placing the pot in a pan of water until the soil is damp on top. I use rain water whenever I can get it. I also use a teaspoonful of ammonia to a quart of water once a month for watering, and when the buds are well started I use liquid manure about once a month. Last year on Thanksgiving Day I had twenty-six flowers, and from then on until May it was always in bloom. I transplanted it to a larger pot in the spring, and used plenty of fine charcoal through the soil, to keep it sweet; also a little lime. I keep the top soil loose, and water occasionally with cold coffee or tea that is left after meals, and I wash the foliage by placing the pot on the lawn and using a fine spray with the garden hose; but in summer when not in bloom it thrives best in the sun and does not require washing. My plant is almost three feet across and has a flower or bud on every leaf.—Mrs. Harry Ochs, Washington.

DAHLIA THE FAVORITE.

I am a great lover of flowers, and in my experience I have had the best success with the dahlia. There are several things to be noticed in order to have beautiful, fully matured flowers at the end of the season.

In the spring, when I take my tubers from their winter storage, I divide the large bunches into smaller ones by splitting the stalk, being careful not to destroy the tiny sprouts which have started.

The next essential is the thorough preparation of the ground. After spading deep and cultivating fine, mix in good hen manure or rotten horse manure. An extra portion placed in each hole is also good. Set the tubers so that they will be covered with about two inches of soil. Do not set too close, and mix the colors so that a pleasing variety may be had. The plants if properly cared for will grow large and strong and may need some kind of a support. I think the greatest essential in dahlia culture is plenty of water. This they must have, and if given they will produce from July until late frosts kill them.

I usually set them about the first couple of weeks in May. They do not need much cultivation, only keep the weeds down and do give them plenty of water. I have grown them to the height of six and seven feet by this simple method, and they were literally covered with flowers until very late in the season. In the fall I dig the tubers after the first frosts, clean off all the soil and store them in a dry place for the winter.—Carrie M. Burket.

A LOVER OF ALL FLOWERS.

As I am a lover of flowers, it is but natural that I try a hand at flowers of every description. In growing them I have best results with ferns and begonias. Have six varieties of ferns and eleven varieties of begonias, each one different, some large and some small, but can only name a few, as the names have been lost by repotting and moving from summer to winter quarters.

In summer they stand on the north side of the house, then in early October I bring them into the house and give them the eastern exposure; then as it gets colder I bring them to the south windows, where the temperature is as near 70 degrees as can be had with a coal stove, keeping them moist and giving them shower bath every few weeks, to keep them clean and free from scales.

Also have a few tropical plants, such as *Dracaena Indivisa*, *Sansevieria Zeylanica*, figs, Christmas cactus, lemon trees,

etc. The lemon tree has two lemons on it now, just beginning to turn yellow, the one measuring eleven inches, the other nearly nine inches.—Miss A. C. Rolfe, Missouri.

HOW TO GROW MAGNIFICENT STOCKS FOR GARDEN AND CUTTING FLOWERS.

Sow in the middle or toward the end of March, in a three-inch high cigar box, twenty-five to thirty seeds in screened good ground, one-eighth inch deep; keep them covered in a cellar, not too cold, for four or five days, then place them in a sunny window at a temperature of 50 to 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

Keep the ground damp, not wet. Let the young plants have fresh air on warm days, but protect them against wind for at least a month. After four or five weeks, giving them a douche twice a week, the plants will be strong enough to be set outdoors, where they should be hoed every week, and after about eleven weeks in all you will be able to commence cutting flowers. This should be done every two or three weeks in full bloom, for this will encourage the plants to produce new blossoms. Although the plants are not difficult to raise in any ground, it will benefit them to fertilize with soluble cow or sheep manure now and then. For this purpose the best kinds are all of the ten weeks stocks, two to three feet. Do not use mixed kinds; they are inferior. From reliable seeds you will produce eighty to ninety per cent double flowers.

I recommend Eldorado, yellow; Rosy Morn, rosy; Mount Blanc, white; Grand Rouge, crimson; Aurora, red; Blue Bells, blue.—Wm. Koepke, New Jersey.

EVERBLOOMING ROSES.

I have had best success with ever-blooming roses. I started by buying several one-year-old plants of reliable rose growers. I put them out in May. Nearly all of them bloomed the first year. I dug around the roots once a month, and when the weather was dry, watered them with cistern water. About November 1st I put a coating of grass and leaves around the roots. About April 1st I removed the trash, and the plants that had lived through the winter began to grow. A few were winter-killed.

During the second and successive years I have kept up the same treatment and have had many fine roses, just like greenhouse roses, from May to October. They do well in either clay or loam soil.

Two years ago I began to put out "slips." In October I cut hard rose stems, each with two leaves. I cut the leaves off, leaving the stubs of the leaves on the stems. I put the lower leaf stubs under the ground, and the upper leaf stubs above the ground, and turn glass fruit jars upside down over the "slips," and leave them covered till May. I never get all the "slips" to grow, but many do. I buy a few new plants occasionally. Some of my varieties that produce fine roses are White, Yellow and Maman Cochet, Helen Gould, Wm. R. Smith, Mrs. Robt. Peary, Lady Mary Corry, Louis Richard, Etoile de France, Clothilde Soupert and The Queen.—Mrs. Florence Ballard Wooden, Illinois.

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Soil for Carnations—Mrs. Hans Peterson, Wisconsin—The best soil for carnations is a good, friable, well-drained, loose loam. If manure is added to the soil, have it well mixed before using.

(2) **Hydrangea Mariesii**—A similar soil will do for this hydrangea, and as a flower of this variety is naturally of a bluish color it will not need the addition of steel filing, which is generally suggested for coloring the blooms.

Fern Amerpohlii—Mrs. W. D. Wade, Missouri—The clipping of the fern frond which you enclosed is of the variety Amerpohlii, which is a so-called improved Whitmanii fern. All of the varieties—that is, cut-leaved varieties—of ferns have come from the old Boston variety, and some of the comparatively dwarf cut-leaved ferns are giving us the most graceful and showy plants we have. You will find this variety described in nearly all of the catalogues of the larger seed and plant houses.

Probably Grafted Roses—Mrs. R. A. Jackson, South Dakota—The only explanation the writer can give for the failure of the roses to bloom is that they are grafted stock and the budded plants have been killed out by the winter, leaving the wild roots, which you say are of climbing form. The writer would suggest that you trim the plants back within twelve or fifteen inches of the ground any time in the month of March, and if they do not flower in June, take them up and throw them away.

Care of Fern Balls—Mrs. J. A. Mitchell, Tennessee—The care of fern balls is simple. You can procure them any time in the spring from any of the catalogue houses, and when received dip the ball in water until it is well soaked, or in a light liquid manure water, and then place it in a light, warm location, but avoiding the full sunlight. They grow easily with the growing season and the rising of the temperature, and by early summer will make a globular mass of beautiful foliage and give it practically a hanging-basket effect.

Does the Rubber Plant Bloom?—Mrs. Annie L. Kohlmeier, Wisconsin—Your informant has probably mixed up the rubber plant with the genus ficus, to which it belongs. Such plants as the fig belong to the genus ficus and placing the rubber plant under the name genus, where, of course, it really belongs; it can be said that the ficus blooms, but the rubber plant itself is a foliage plant. In the tropics it grows to a height of 100 feet or more and makes fairly shapely trees. For the general culture of the plant, please see reply to Mrs. F. C., Indiana, this issue.

Growing Herbs for Profit—Mrs. Chas. M. Sands, Indiana—When the growing of different plants, bulbs and roots is taken up for profit the writer would advise a careful and thorough reading of some book covering the subject, as there are many points which are taken care of in a book, and which could hardly be covered in this small space of this department. You can secure books written in a plain and simple way from A. T. De La Mare Printing and Publishing Co., of 8 Duane Street, New York City, N. Y. They have a complete library of floriculture and horticulture books at prices ranging from 10 cents up.

Brugmansia, or Datura—Mrs. Sarah Jackson, Michigan—The brugmansia is generally considered easy to grow and the plants are treated the same as annuals. In the North the woody varieties can be grown outdoors in the summer time and stored in cellars during the winter. In the South they are almost everblooming. The plants do not keep well indoors the year round, as they do not flower well in pots on account of their roots being large and spreading and requiring a constant supply of moisture. After flowering, the plants can be cut back severely to the main stem, otherwise they will make a very straggly, unsightly growth.

Growing Lemons from Seed—Mrs. W. W. Wills, Texas—We do not believe that you will be able to produce satisfactory fruiting plants from seeds of the lemon. It would be much better to pay the small price of a young, well-established plant from cuttings and which should surely fruit in three years. Such a plant can be had for 15 or 20 cents; double this amount will get you a good two-year-old plant, and for 50 to 75 cents you can secure an extra strong plant which will fruit the coming spring. Of course, growing the plants from seed makes an interesting experiment, but we are afraid that you will be satisfied with the results.

Rooting California Privet—J. F. Fentries, Texas—California privet or hedge plant roots extremely easy. The cuttings should be made from six to twelve inches long and can be tied in bundles and buried out of doors in the winter. In the spring they can be stuck in rows two to six inches apart and rows two to three feet apart, and it kept well cultivated will grow as easily as the willow. This is the least expensive way of handling this hedge plant. Sometimes small cuttings are made, and after being buried over winter are planted in rich mellow soil in the spring, close together, with the rows only eight inches or so apart, or in other words, as close together as possible and still allow of cultivation.

Failure with Peonies—Mrs. E. D. Matthews, Indiana—There is no reason why you should not have success with peonies. In the first place, it seems to the writer, that if plants fail to flower or give a satisfactory growth through two seasons that a change of some kind should be made either with the plants on hand or purchase of new plants. It really does not pay to bother with a plant which should flower so naturally as it should grow. Peonies have given good results planted in good and poor soils of clay, sand or black soil. One of the best soils, however, seems to be a sand alone, which insures perfect drainage. Avoiding the use of strong, fresh fertilizer of any kind is just as important as looking after good drainage. The plants should be well protected in the winter from rains, and after five or six years old should be taken up and divided and replanted in September. It would not be advisable now to take up the plants until next August; but if they do not do well the coming spring, would suggest a change in the planting location. The plants do not absolutely require full sun and the blooms will be more perfect to color in partial shade.

Cultivation of Ferns—Mrs. Annie E. Keller, Virginia—The best soil for ferns in general is a light, porous loam or leaf mold, one-half, and not too finely broken up or sifted, and the other half well-rotted manure and sharp sand, equal parts and well mixed. When potting, drainage should be provided for by filling in first with charcoal, broken pots, coarse gravel or something of the kind. Remember that ferns object to stagnant moisture at their roots and an oversupply of water. The soil must not be kept constantly soaked with water nor should the plants be allowed to stand in water for any length of time. While care in watering must be followed, and while it is a good plan to water them by setting them in the soil so that the water will be sure to reach the roots, one should watch against mistreatment of plants in either extreme—that of soaking the soil until it becomes sour, or allowing the soil to become too dry. Ferns as a rule require a soil kept on the moist side rather than the dry side, therefore provide for good drainage. Give the plants plenty of light, a moderately warm and moist temperature, and they will soon adapt themselves to the conditions of the living room.

Spots on Ficus or India Rubber Plant—Mrs. Fred Charpie, Indiana—It is more than likely that the spots on the rubber plant were caused by the sun burning the foliage while it was watered. Drops of water will act the same as a magnifying glass. The same reasons might be given for the tips of the leaves turning brown and drying up. When receiving foliage plants of this kind from the florists they should be given good care until well established. Any of the sun-loving plants should be well shaded, although give plenty of light, until they have formed plenty of roots. The rubber plant naturally likes plenty of sun, and as it is a plant of tropical countries, does best under a high temperature, with plenty of moisture. It is not so particular about the soil, and after it becomes somewhat pot-bound the growth can be carried along with applications of manure water. At any time during the early part of the growing season the plants may be cut back, and as a result one can easily have a well-branched, bushy rubber plant with a single season's growth. During the winter and very early spring keep the soil only evenly moist and do not try to produce a forced growth during the winter months.

Care of Oleanders—Miss Pearl Beale, Oklahoma—The oleander is of rather easy culture and quite well adapted to city conditions, but it is naturally subject to scale and mealy bug. As the oleander is a fairly hard-wooded plant, about the easiest way to treat it is to wipe it off carefully and often with a sponge. On small plants the best remedy for mealy bug is to touch them with a hair brush dipped in alcohol. Older plants form buds which open poorly or not at all. This is generally due to an imperfect ripening of the wood. The flowers are formed on the growth of the same year and the plants should be well ripened in the middle of the summer to send the strong buds in the fall. The plants, therefore, should always be given plenty of light and air and watered more sparingly when they are through the summer's growth. The plants should be protected from frost in the winter, and in April, after the plants have flowered, cut

them back and give them plenty of heat as another growing season comes on.

(2) **Roses Mildew**—This disease affecting roses is not a serious one, although it spoils the appearance of the plant. It is caused by sudden changes in the weather and generally comes after a cold, chilly rain. The best preventative is Bordeaux mixture sprayed every couple of weeks throughout the season. Begin the first of March.

Hardy Phlox—Mrs. Lena Potter, Washington—Your best suggestion a possibility of the phlox having remained in the ground for several years without being divided. In this event, take them up in early April, or just as soon as the ground will allow transplanting, and replanting again in good, strong divisions. Even if the plants are not extra large, a transplanting will prove beneficial. The ground should be trenched fully two feet. Phlox may be planted in the autumn, from the 1st to the 15th of October, so they would be well rooted before winter; otherwise they should be set out as soon as the frost leaves the ground in the spring, as growth begins very early. Whether planted in spring or fall, a mulch of old manure thrown around the roots will be of benefit to the plants. They should be set out eighteen inches apart, and if kept well watered will produce both individual blossoms and heads of bloom far larger than otherwise, thus amply repaying for the extra trouble. Occasionally in warm, moist summers phlox is attacked by mildew. But if, upon the first sign of its appearance, the leaves of the plants are well sprinkled and afterwards plentifully dusted with powdered sulphur, the disease will be arrested. In November, after the stalks of the phlox have been cut, a litter of leaves may be spread over the plants for winter protection.

Old Cyclamen Beds—R. E. Clapp, Missouri—The cyclamen plants come from seed and from sowings made in the late summer. Some florists flower the plants inside of the first year, while others seem to be unable to secure a continuous growth, which is essential for the best flowers. The cyclamen will go back the first time any unfavorable condition brings about a stoppage of its growth. If it should become too dry at any time or should not be shifted as needed, the leaves will curl and the plants will be found to be beyond repair. The seed germinates slowly; if sown in August, young plants will be ready to transplant in a couple of months, and they should be shifted at least six or eight times before the plant is ready for the five or six inch flowering pot. The cyclamen which you have in two-inch pots should be shifted into a two-and-one-half-inch pot or three-inch pot in a month or so, or anyway before the plant becomes pot-bound. The plant makes rapid root growth and requires constant shifting into pots of larger size to give new soil to the roots and prevent a stunting of growth. If the growth is stopped at all the plants will be troubled with blight. See that the plants are kept well watered and have plenty of air, and as you are favored in having the right kind of soil for them you should have no trouble in growing nice showy specimens.

Large-Leaved and Fancy Caladiums—Mrs. Emmet Curtis, Ohio—The best soil for the large-leaved caladiums is a mixture of fibrous loam, peat, leaf mould and sand, together with plenty of well-rotted cow manure. The tubers can be potted or started in sand or planted directly in the bed or border. The caladium will not require much water at first, but as the growth commences, too much can hardly be given them. They like a warm, humid atmosphere and do best if not at all times subject to the full sunlight. If grown in pots, keep the bulbs in the same pots when storing away for the winter. If grown out of doors, take the bulbs up after the tops have thoroughly ripened, cut off the stem four or five inches from the bulb, and store the bulbs where the temperature will not fall below 50 degrees or rise above 60 degrees. If kept too hot and dry the bulbs will rot, as they will do if kept too cold.

(2) **Fancy-Leaved Caladiums**—This class of caladiums are best grown from the small dormant bulbs and when started indoors in moss, soil or sand. They like a warm temperature and partial shade. If started in boxes, pot as soon as a fair amount of roots have formed, and start with small pots, shifting as often as necessary. When starting the bulbs a covering of an inch of soil will be plenty. The same care should be given the watering when starting the bulbs as with the large-leaved variety. See to it, however, that they always have good drainage. The winter care of the bulbs is practically the same as with the green-leaved variety.

The Trouble with Violets—Miss Lucy Gilbert, Florida—In the first place, the writer might say that right now would be just the time to buy plants of the catalogue houses, and if you would add one-third or one-half of the catalogue price, any firm would be glad to select for you plants that are full of buds, as they are at this time of year. Of course, the plants should be shipped with the ball of earth, but 15 or 20 cents added would cover the cost of mailing in this way;

or, for the minimum expressage of 35 cents, a dozen plants could be sent you. Getting the plants now would give you the advantage of this season's flowers. The florist plants out these young plants in May in a rather porous, well-enriched soil—if somewhat sandy, all the better—in an open location, and by fall they will make plants large enough for four to six inch pots. After the plants are potted great care is necessary in watering, as any neglect or overdoing in this particular interferes with healthy development and invites disease. Cleanliness, light and plenty of fresh air are necessary to the vigor of the plant and productiveness of flowers. Frequently stirring of the soil keeps it open and sweet. Dusting with tobacco dust will keep down the black aphids, and that the plants may not be subject to the worst of violet diseases, the black spot, care must be taken that the plants are not subjected to sudden changes in temperature, especially should the soil be too wet. A night temperature of 40 to 45 degrees and a day temperature of from 45 to 50 degrees is warm enough. One should have no trouble in raising violets even under unfavorable conditions if the large-flowering single varieties are grown. They are the easiest to grow, being of a hardier nature and less susceptible to disease.

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All the children knew and loved Mrs. Knight. Her lavish purse, her love for all the friendless were well known; but it was the children's ward that she loved most to visit, and today she had laid dolls and toys and a bunch of sweet spring violets on each pillow, looking eagerly into the little one's faces as if she were searching for some one. The children looked at her with eyes of admiration as she stood talking to the head nurse. She was a very beautiful woman, with pale golden hair and brown eyes and a rose-tinted complexion, but there lurked in her eyes an indescribably sad expression. The children were the only ones who ever saw that rare smile of hers, that lightened up her face with such radiance. They wondered why she did not look so all the time, but they noticed how changed her face looked when she talked to the doctor or nurses, so much older and sadder. What could such a grand lady as Mrs. Knight have to make her unhappy, thought the little ones, with such a pretty carriage and horses and maid to attend her, and so much money to give them? What could make her have that sad, sad look?

Her little favorite, Allan, a poor cripple on his crutch, today took courage to ask her if she didn't have any little boys or girls at home; but from the way the good sister looked at him he knew he had made a mistake, for tears came in her pretty, sad eyes, but she brushed them away bravely and said:

"Why, yes, I have a roomful; you are all my girls and boys."

As she passed out she met crowds of ladies bringing their Easter tributes, but no one brought a sadder heart than this lovely woman, the children's friend. She got into her carriage and told her driver to drive her to a poor part of the city, where carriages were seldom seen. But she seemed to be familiar with the ugly streets, and had her poor friends there, who looked for her coming as the only bright spot in their dreary lives. She found her way up dark, ugly stairways into rickety tenement houses, seeing where help was needed most, leaving fruit, jellies, money, and taking down in her little book names of ill ones, so as to send a doctor and help.

This day of all days she must make other people happy. Perhaps if she did, God would help that pain in her heart and send her some comfort. As she came out, tired and weary with her morning's work, she drove to her superb home with a heavy heart. The glad Easter, with its bright faces on the streets, flowers in the windows, the beautifully dressed children coming and going, only made the contrast seem greater.

"Only a year ago I had husband and child. Ah, that fatal wreck! I wonder I have my reason left. They tell me I have wealth; can do much good with it. Yes, I know better than those who tell

me, perhaps. I have known pinching poverty in my childhood, even want, and I do thank God I can make the dear children happy. It seems all that is left in life for me to do."

Her maid listened to her young mistress talking to herself. She often did it, not seeming conscious of Mary's presence. The girl, with kind and reverential manner, took off her wraps and helped her into a loose gown, persuaded her to lie down on the couch in her lovely chamber, and soothed her with fond little attentions, for she saw tears in her young mistress' eyes, and the look she had learned to know so well. The servants had not known or lived with Mrs. Knight so long, but they were considerate of her, served her as if she were a princess, for they had learned to love her, and saw how good and noble she was, how just and generous to them. It was very comforting to have the loyal, faithful love of these humble servants in her household.

I must go back into the past and tell you about Miriam's childhood. She had been a poor little orphan, left by her parents to a poor neighbor, who did the best she could by her, but was too poor herself to do for her own six little ones what she would like to have done. So Miriam was an additional burden, taking the bread from their mouths, it seemed to her. The widow earned her living by sewing, and they often knew want and felt hunger.

Miriam had the dower of beauty, which the foster-mother hoped would be of value to her in making friends. Her poor children were all plain and commonplace enough, but she had heard of poor girls who had great beauty coming into such good fortunes, being adopted by some rich person, that she was glad in her heart when her own little girls would tell her how people stopped Miriam to look at her beautiful, long, golden curls. The children all went to the city school, near them, when they had clothes fit to wear. Shoes and other clothing were very hard to get, and many times they could not go out on the street for the want of them. Miriam's teacher enjoyed looking at Miriam's lovely face, and listening to her singing in class one morning, she was struck with the strong, clear voice, and she spoke of it to a young German music teacher, who thought he saw a fortune in the child's voice and had her come to him twice a week for instruction. This opened a new world to poor Miriam. She was kindly treated at home, but she went to bed many a night cold and hungry. Miriam's mother had been a lady, so her foster-mother often told her, and no one could see the child without recognizing the difference between she and the others. She was innately refined; she grew more beautiful day by day, and her scanty clothing always clean, but so poor that they looked sadly out of place with such a cameo-cut face of such exquisite beauty.

The German teacher, seeing great promise ahead for Miriam in her rich soprano voice, got permission from her foster-mother to let her come and live in his family, promising to clothe her and to teach her vocal lessons for the help she could give his wife in the household affairs, and also helping to take care of the children. It was a happy relief to the poor, overburdened widow to know that one of her little flock would be well cared

for. The change seemed wonderful to Miriam. Although the teacher was poor and lived in humble lodgings, yet it was much better than she had ever known. She hated to leave her little sisters, but she was ambitious and anxious to sing well.

When Miriam was seventeen years of age the German teacher got her a place in the Episcopal church choir in the city of L—, where they lived. She was so beautiful and maidenly shy, seemingly unconscious of her good looks, that many were attracted to her, and she became a general favorite. She had had no advantages of study, no time for self-improvement except her voice. The German teacher's wife had to do her work, and Miriam assisted and was always busy.

There was a wealthy young man in the congregation, whose father had been the founder of the church. The father was dead, and his only son inherited his large estate. He had a fashionable pew in this wealthy church, and the first time he saw Miriam in the choir he was captivated by her pure, sweet face, and made every effort he could to get an introduction. He knew several of the young men who sang in the choir, and soon succeeded in his wish to meet her. It was not long before he was her devoted slave, much against the wishes of some fashionable cousins and young lady friends, who had an eye to his fortune for themselves, and for him to be captivated by this poor little nobody without any friends or family position seemed to them preposterous.

Mr. Charles Knight thought Miriam Lee the loveliest girl he had ever seen, and he was a good judge of beauty, having traveled extensively and seen many types of beautiful women, but it was her modest, refined manner and the timid, shy nature that charmed him most. He was sent quite often now going into the modest dwelling of the German teacher's home, and he was not long in letting Miriam know that she of all women was his preference. He began by loving her at once, and he was proud to know she reciprocated his affection, and he also saw her indifference to other admirers and was proud to know that he was her first love. Mr. Knight urged an immediate marriage. He knew she was poor and had a hard life where she was. He had a talk with Miriam herself, and then with her teacher, which ended in getting his consent for an early day. The poor German could not believe it possible that their little house girl was going to make the most brilliant match of the season, the wealthy Mr. Knight.

He married Miriam, and because of the opposition of his relatives he took her abroad, and they lived in Paris and London, she having every opportunity to cultivate herself in music and languages, and her loving husband thought nothing too grand or too dainty for his beautiful wife. She was so happy that every breath was a prayer. She thought life was an earthly paradise, and wondered if she could be the same forlorn, homeless little Miriam that her parents had left to a poor neighbor. In a year she had a dear little son born to her, the idol of both parents. They called him Julian, and he was the picture of his mother.

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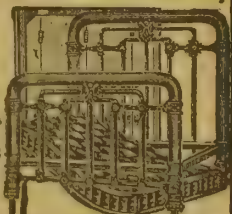
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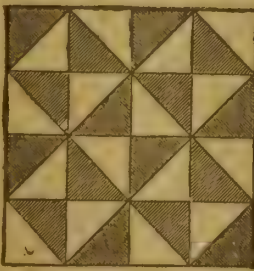
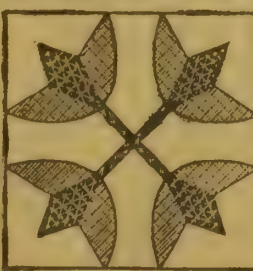


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EASTER.

By Frank Dempster Sherman

Across the winter's gloom
There falls a golden ray,
And from each wild flower's tomb
The stone is rolled away.

Once more to life and love
The buds and leaves of spring
Come forth and hear above
The birds like angels sing.

In every woods and field
Behold the symbol shown—
The mystery revealed,
The majesty made known.

Christ who was crucified
Is risen. "Lo, the sign."
The earth at Eastertide
Touched by his hand divine.

How hope springs into the heart as we approach Easter. We see life fresh and new in everything. We watch the birds flying about with bits of grass or twigs or feathers, to build their nests; we see the grass becoming green and the little flowers peeping through the ground. The sun is bright and warm. Yet while all this is taking place, we are made happy in the thought that Christ as the Savior of men arose from the tomb, so made he it possible, through his resurrection, for us to rise from the tomb of our sins, and doubts, and fears, into a newness of life, and freedom, and happiness.

"What shall Easter prove to me? What shall it teach me?" Should it not pre-eminently teach me that rising with God to a life of service for my Master and those around me should not be postponed? Every day should chronicle some new act or deed or aspiration which is typical of the new Christ life and Christ service. Have we as Sunshiners done as much as we could toward helping others? What have you done today? What will you do tomorrow? Let us not be selfish or leave our work for some one else to do. We ask each one to do what you can. This month is a splendid time to decide to carry out a certain amount of work, by planning to do so much, if possible, each day in cheering others. Try it and see how much can be accomplished. It is wonderful how much cheer is being sent out by the shut-ins. Those who are suffering, those who are needy and lack food and fuel, yet we know that they are thinking of others. This should be an incentive to the rest of us. For instance, one of our shut-ins found out that March 1st was the birthday of a dear shut-in, and she sent word to Sunshiners in New York, in California, Missouri and other places to send something for the "Wonder Bag" which the daughter was preparing for the mother as a surprise, and here came little gifts as a surprise to the daughter as well as the mother. It was a beautiful thought and showed the unselfish and Christian spirit, for this shut-

in was suffering, yet did not think of her pains. How many of us could do likewise?

The same unselfish and kindly spirit was shown when your editor of this Corner was ill. Letters came from shut-ins everywhere sending sympathy and wishes for a speedy recovery. We could not help getting better. It was worry for the poor and lonely shut-ins which made us ill. Letters telling of their poverty and suffering, many did not know where the next meal was coming from, many did not have the smallest comforts, some did not have fires in their rooms and said they were cold. We thought and thought how these cases could be helped. We sat up late writing appeals for help, until the nerves gave way and a severe attack of neuritis resulted. We cannot begin to do the work we did and must ask each one to do their part. Our only source for helping these worthy cases is the Emergency Fund, which is emptied about as fast as a dollar comes in, to help some one. We are afraid many think that this fund is full of silver, for it is seldom a dime comes to help in the work. The only income for several months has been from the sale of the mendets. By the time the expenses are paid, there is not much profit left for the fund. So very many send for mendets and do not send a two-cent stamp for mailing, so of course that means two cents less for the fund. Then some send Canadian quarters and dimes, which does not amount to its full value here in the United States. Now we wish each Sunshiner would send to us at once for a box of mendets and give to some friend. We feel that in this way we will be able to gain many more friends for "mendets," and it will mean a great deal to the shut-ins. Then we are going to ask you Sunshiners, as many as feel that they can, to write to some good magazine or paper which you take, and tell the value of mendets, what they will do, their price and where to get them, giving my full address. There are many papers which have columns for the housewife, and they are anxious to get ideas to help the housekeeper.

We are still making out our new roll of Sunshiners. Many members did not send word that they still wished to belong. We are going to ask you now, if you do not wish your name on the roll, to write us at once, for we will go ahead and write the names, unless you say "not."

We would be glad if all the Sunshiners would let us know of any shut-ins who want cheer.

Hereafter anything relating to "mendets" or the Sunshine work please send to your editor, Mrs. Gertrude Cherry, Xenia, Ohio.

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In closing, we ask that each one will help to make this year a great one for "Sunshine." Ask your friends to join our Branch and send out cheer.

One little act of kindness done,
One little kind word spoken,
Has the power to make a thrill of joy
E'en in a heart that's broken!
Then let us watch these little things,
And so regard each other,
That not a word, nor look, nor tone,
Shall wound a friend or brother.

WHERE TO SEND CHEER.

Mrs. B. A. Berry, West Piedmont Street, Keyser, W. Va., is a great sufferer and is always grateful to each one for kindness sent to her.

Here are two other shut-ins in Xenia who would appreciate cheery cards and letters—Mrs. J. H. Matthews, West Main Street, and Mrs. Chas. Buck, Pleasant Street, Xenia, Ohio.

Miss Eva Barrett, Summit City, Mich., R. F. D. Box 58, is another young lady who needs cheer. Not in need of aid. She has sat in a wheel-chair for over twenty years. Cards and letters would mean much to her.

Miss R. F. Knapp, Cazenovia, N. Y., has all kinds of pretty post cards to sell. These cards are for birthday, Sunshine and assorted at 25 cents a dozen or \$1.50 a hundred. She also has dainty little gift booklets for 25 cents.

Miss Mary Ellen Willis, Barnesville, Ga., R. F. D. 3, who has never taken a step in her life, longs for cheer. She asks for a good book, some postage stamps, and also asks for stamped table and pillow tops. She always appreciates everything done for her.

Mrs. A. J. Brown is unable to walk. She has partial use of her hands. She sells beautiful book marks to help support herself. These are different prices. Make nice birthday gifts for the shut-ins. Address Mrs. Brown at 127 Myrtle Street, Manchester, N. H.

Miss Anne Curllis, Maryville, Mo., County Infirmary, never walked. She pieces quilts for 75 cents when material is furnished. She is striving to make enough to prevent her being buried in the potters' field. She is very ambitious and would be grateful for pieces of any kind.

Mr. Will Hoverstick, Xenia, Ohio, East Church Street, is a wheel-chair shut-in. He lives alone, as all his relatives are gone. Cheery letters and cards would no doubt be a great comfort to him. He may not be able to answer, but let him know he is thought of by kind hearts. His life is indeed sad.

Miss Callie D. Barefoot, Four Oaks, N. C., R. F. D. 2, has been an invalid for over twenty-seven years from rheumatism, and has not walked for over twenty-six years. She gets very lonesome and longs for cheer. Her parents are dead. She has an invalid brother, also, who has been helpless for years and years. His name is James Barefoot, same address as the sister's.

Miss Ruby Black, of Fredericksburg, Ind., is only 21 years old, but for the past two years has had to remain in bed most of the time. She has trouble with her limbs and it is not known for sure what it is, but she cannot take a step alone. She is not in need of financial aid, but a little cheery chat in the form of a letter would be much appreciated. Or pretty post cards, or perhaps some little gift.

We make another appeal for Mrs. Ina Mundy, of Kincaid, Kan. She is in a serious condition and she and the daughter need all the aid they can get. The daughter works night and day waiting on her mother and trying to do sewing to support themselves, and the poor mother in her suffering is doing crochet to help along. An operation was thought necessary to prolong Mrs. Mundy's life, if money could be raised to pay for a nurse. The doctors will furnish medicines, operate free, if the money can be raised to provide the nurse, a few clothes and a room for the nurse.

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Old-Fashioned Gingerbread—One and a quarter pounds of flour, three-quarters of a pound of molasses, half a pound of brown sugar, a quarter of a pound of butter, one ounce of ground ginger, one teaspoonful of ground allspice, one teaspoonful of ground cloves, one teaspoonful of baking soda, two eggs, and buttermilk to mix. Melt together the butter, sugar and molasses with the milk; mix together all the dry ingredients, pour in the molasses, etc., and add the eggs, well beaten; mix well, pour into a greased tin, and bake in a slow oven one and a half hours.

Spaghetti a la Romaine—Boil one pint of spaghetti, broken in two-inch pieces, in salted water for twenty minutes, then drain. In a sauce pan put one heaping teaspoonful of butter, one cupful of chopped cheese, one-eighth of a teaspoonful of salt, a dash of cayenne and one-half cupful of milk, and stir over the fire until the cheese is nearly melted; take from the fire and add the yolks of three eggs, beaten and mixed with one-half cupful of milk. Stir in the spaghetti and turn into a buttered dish. Bake in a very hot oven until lightly browned, and serve at once.

Danish Suet Dumplings—One cupful of chopped beef suet, one cupful of grated bread, one cupful of flour, a level teaspoonful of baking powder, half a cupful of sugar, two eggs, one pint of milk and a pinch of salt. Stir flour, powder and salt; add the beaten eggs, the crumbs, sugar and milk, making a smooth batter. Drop by tablespoonfuls into a pint of boiling-hot milk, three or four at a time, and cook until they are well done. A little yellow orange peel may be boiled in the milk with the dumplings or one or two whole cloves and a small piece of stick cinnamon.

Bread Omelet—Beat the whites and the yolks separately of three eggs. Add to the yolks half a cupful of bread crumbs, one-quarter teaspoonful of salt, half a cupful of milk and a dash of black pepper. Then fold in the stiffly whipped egg whites, and mix very lightly. Put in a hot frying pan a piece of butter the size of a walnut, and when it is melted pour in the omelet. Set it over a slow fire and gently shake the pan so that it will not stick. Cook until well risen, then fold over into a neat half circle and dish as soon as the center of the omelet is set. Serve immediately, as all omelets fall quickly when they are removed from the fire.

Caramel Cake—Rub one cupful of butter and two cupfuls of sugar to a cream, add one cupful of sweet milk and three cupfuls of flour, and two teaspoonfuls of baking powder sifted with the flour. Add last the stiffly beaten whites of five eggs. Bake in layers. Filling: One cupful of brown sugar, a scant half cupful of milk, three tablespoonfuls of molasses, one tablespoonful of butter and about six tablespoonfuls of grated chocolate. Boil all together about five minutes, stirring continuously; it should be the consistency of thick custard. Just as it is to be removed from the fire add a pinch of soda. When cold flavor with vanilla and spread between the layers and cover the top and sides; place in a warm oven a few moments to dry.

Chocolate Caramel Walnuts—White of one egg, three tablespoonfuls of maple or caramel syrup, one tablespoonful of water, sifted confectioners' sugar, one teaspoonful of vanilla extract, two or more squares of chocolate, English walnuts. Beat the white of egg slightly, add the syrup, water, sugar as needed, the chocolate, melted over hot water, and the vanilla, also more water if necessary. Work with a silver-plated knife and knead until thoroughly mixed, then break off small pieces of uniform size and roll them into balls, in the hollow of the hand, flatten the balls a little, set the half of an English walnut upon each, pressing the nut into the candy and thus flattening it still more. The caramel gives the chocolate a particularly nice flavor.



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Said, "Let me hold the baby."
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Some uses for dates

In many a household dates are served as a fruit, but are seldom used in making cakes, desserts and other dishes. There are so many delicious desserts and goodies in which dates may be used, that a few recipes will, perhaps, be welcome. Some of them are quite out of the ordinary.

A date pudding is this: Stone and cut in half enough dates to make a cupful, add to them a cupful of chopped nut meats, a cupful of sugar and one and a half cupfuls of flour. Beat up two eggs, add, slowly, a quarter of a cupful of milk in which a teaspoonful of soda has been dissolved, and then stir in the other ingredients. When thoroughly mixed, put into a buttered pudding dish, and bake in a moderate oven. This dessert may be served with any kind of pudding sauce or a sweetened and flavored whipped cream.

To make date waffles, beat up the yolks of two eggs till they are light, and then beat into them half a teaspoonful of salt, a tablespoonful of sugar and a tablespoonful of melted butter. When creamy, add half a pint of milk, one and a half cupfuls of flour, a heaping tablespoonful of baking powder, a cupful of stoned and chopped dates, and, the last thing, fold in the whites of the eggs, beaten stiff. Served with maple syrup these are delicious.

Tea cakes in which dates play an important part are made after this recipe: Cream half a cupful of butter with a cupful of sugar and then add slowly three beaten eggs and half a cupful of cold water. Stir in, slowly, one and a quarter cupfuls of flour, sifted with three level teaspoonfuls of baking powder; when these ingredients are thoroughly mixed, add a cupful of stoned and chopped dates and a quarter of a cupful of chopped citron. The mixture should be stiff enough to pat out and cut in fancy shape; if not sufficiently stiff, add a little more flour. Bake in a moderate oven. If the cakes are spread with frosting and decorated with a little citron sliced very thin they are especially attractive.

An oatmeal cookie made with dates will be found a favorite. This is the recipe: Cream a cupful of shortening and two cupfuls of brown sugar. Add half a cupful of hot water and two cupfuls of prepared oatmeal into which has been sifted a small teaspoonful of soda. Stir in enough flour to make a very soft dough, roll very thin, cut out and bake in a moderate oven. Put two of the cookies together with this date filling: Stone a pound of dates, chop them, add two tablespoonfuls of sugar and a little hot water. Work the mixture to a paste, but do not cook.

To make date whip, stone and chop a quarter of a pound of dates and add half

a cupful of hot water. Cook the mixture till it is a smooth paste. Beat up the whites of four eggs, fold in half a cupful of pulverized sugar and then the date paste. Pour into a buttered baking dish and bake until set. Serve the dessert with a boiled custard made of the yolks of the eggs, a pint of milk and sugar to taste.

Darning stockings

For those who would like to revive the lost art of darning as it was taught to our mothers and grandmothers before us a few hints may be in order.

First of all, don't darn over those silver-handled darners which have supplanted the humble mock-orange or china egg.

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Darning should be done "over the hand," as it is called. The hand should be held in such a position that the thumb and forefinger form a circle.

The circle formed by these two fingers is held directly under the rent which is to be darned, and the rest of the material is to be gathered about the hand and held firmly in place by the remaining fingers.

This position will seem very awkward at first, but you'll find it a very easy position of the hand to maintain.

Next, in darning the foot of a stocking, darn on the right side of the fabric so that the smoothest side of the darn will come next to the foot. This would also apply to the mending of any sort of underwear, but if you are mending a bit of fine table linen darn on the wrong side so that the smoothest side of the darn will be out.

Never make a square darn, for it puts additional strain on a spot already worn and ready to break. It is far better to reinforce the fabric by graduated lines of tiny stitches—so use a diamond-shaped darn.

Be careful to go over and under the edge of the hole so as to prevent the formation of a ridge.

Last "don't" of all, don't put the thing under the machine, however lauded its darning attachment, for nothing can ever look or wear like fine, dainty, carefully done hand darning.

Creamed celery with poached eggs

Make the cream sauce by any one of the three methods in general use, but if the cream or milk be added to the flour and butter and cooked together, let it first come in contact with only heat enough to remove the chill. Or if the method of our grandmothers be preferred, let the sauce cook at least twenty minutes in the double boiler before, with tender celery added, one and one-half cupfuls to one cupful of sauce, to be poured over the well-dried toast, finished to a golden-brown. But first dip the edges of each slice of toast in salted boiling water, that in eating the fork may divide it with ease, then lightly spread them with butter. Above the celery set the freshest of eggs, cooked in salted water, which, as the French say, have been just "smiled" on one side. Garnish with a bit of parsley or cress and a stalk of curled celery.

To fry a round steak

Roll it in flour until every part is lightly but completely covered. Have ready a frying pan with the fat boiling hot. Put in the steak, and in a minute or less turn

in. Keep up the intense heat and turn and return until both sides are well browned and the juices do not show on the upper side. Add half a pint of boiling water, cover the pan closely to retain the steam, cook rapidly until the water has nearly evaporated, then salt and pepper and cook until it begins to brown again in the fat. Remove to a hot platter. If properly cooked it will please the most fastidious palate. To the fat in the pan add a scant tablespoonful of flour smoothed until free from lumps, add half a pint of milk, stir to prevent lumps until it boils, season, and you will have a delicious cream gravy.

Some uses for the stove rack

A writer says: "Last summer, during the fruit preserving season, I wanted something open to put under the granite kettle. It occurred to me that the stove rack in the oven would answer this purpose. I tried it. What a blessing it has proven in more ways than one. If anything is to be boiled slowly, put the rack under the kettle. It does not keep anything from boiling, but it does prevent scorching. It is excellent when boiling cereals, especially mush. Pushed to the back of the stove, it answered for a hot-plate, and it admits just the proper amount of heat to the boiling pan of taffy. Milk can be boiled in a pan without using the double boiler, and cold flour can be placed in a dish pan, stirred and warmed on very cold days to give it the proper warmth.

"In fact, many uses are found for the rack when it is placed on top of the stove and the very latest idea was the quick toasting iron it made for several slices of bread. It is discovered further that the rack, placed on the oven bottom, is excellent for holding the fruit cake while it bakes, and with its use no burned fruit is found on the cake bottom, and in the same position it makes a potato roaster."

Fruit dainty

Four tablespoonfuls of gelatine, one lemon, one large, juicy orange and one pound of granulated sugar.

Take two-thirds of a cupful of cold water and soak the gelatine five minutes. Mix the sugar with two-thirds of a cupful of cold water, and at the boiling point add the soaked gelatine. Boil twenty minutes, slowly but steadily. Add the grated rind and juice of the lemon—you should have one-half of a large cupful of juice. Wet a tin with cold water and pour in the mixture to the depth of one inch. When firmly set immerse the mold in warm water, and turn out. Cut in cubes and roll in confectioners' sugar, to which you have added a teaspoonful of corn starch. Different fruit juice, coloring and flavor may be used.

Prune whip

In making prune whip, if the prunes are soaked and then cooked in a double boiler you are sure of their being tender. Press the prunes through a sieve, add sugar and lemon juice to flavor and cook the mixture for a few minutes in the double boiler. Add the prune pulp to the beaten whites of eggs—the whites of three eggs to half a pound of prunes is a good proportion—and then heap the mixture in sherbet glasses or put into a baking dish and bake in a moderate oven for twenty minutes. If the dessert is baked, use the yolks of the eggs in making a soft boiled custard to serve with it.

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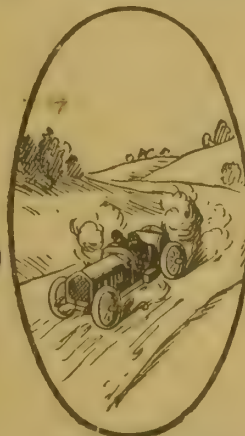
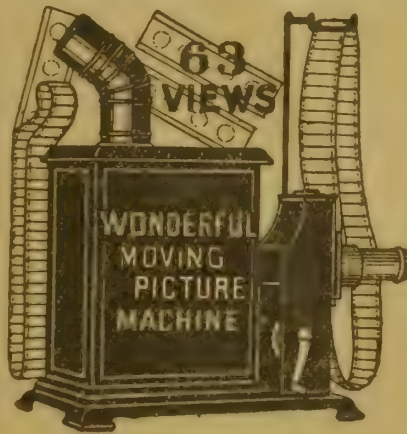
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Who needs thy love today. It may not linger
Or it may, another day. If you should wait
Maybe, for life on earth, too late for love's
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HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Place salt in the oven under the pastry pans or tins to prevent the contents from scorching.

To keep irons from rusting rub with mutton fat and wrap in brown paper before putting away.

If sausages are rolled in flour before being fried, it will prevent them breaking and also improve the flavor.

If the bright parts of the kitchen range turn black from heat, dip a cloth in vinegar and rub on the blackened parts.

To keep old potatoes from turning dark when boiling add a tablespoonful of sweet milk to the water in which they are boiled.

Just now when eggs are so high, try a good-sized pinch of flour stirred in dry coffee, before putting the water on; as good as egg to settle it.

If when boiling a piece of ham or bacon it is put into boiling water instead of cold it will be found to be more quickly cooked and of a fuller flavor.

When making pastry you melt the butter or lard, beat it to a cream before mixing with the flour, very little salt, only half the usual quantity is required.

Potatoes baked with their skins will always come out more dry and mealy if a small piece be cut off one end to allow steam of the potato to escape in the cooking.

When making muffins, cup cakes, cookies, or any batter which must be dropped, dip your spoon in milk before each spoonful and the batter will not stick.

To dispose of the tin cans in the winter time, burn them in your furnace coal stoves; this not only gets rid of the cans that accumulate, but helps to clean out the chimney as well.

The addition of a little soda mixed with a teaspoonful of corn starch to the cream before pouring it into the tomato mixture will prevent curdling in the making of creamed tomato soup.

Flower vases with long necks can be cleaned by filling them with hot water and small pieces of newspaper. Shake vigorously and you will find that the paper will remove all the dust sediment from the inside.

Before rolling a jelly cake up, dampen a napkin with warm water, wring dry and then cover with a sheet of paraffin paper. Turn the cake on this paper and roll quickly. The cake is not near as apt to break as it is rolled.

To prevent fruit juices from rising over in pies when making fruit pies, sprinkle a little carbonate of soda over the fruit

before the top crust is put on. This will prevent the juice from rising over, which spoils both looks and taste of the best of pies.

OFFICIAL RULE FOR WHITEWASH.

The old-fashioned New England habit of whitewashing everything, from the front yard fence to the stable, at least once a year, was a mighty good one, says Farm Engineering. The following is a recipe for making whitewash published by the United States department of agriculture:

Slake half a bushel of unslaked lime with boiling water, keeping the lime covered during the process. Strain it and add a peck of salt, dissolved in warm water. Put three pounds of ground rice into boiling water and boil to a thin paste. Add this, together with half a pound of Spanish whiting and a pound of clear glue dissolved in warm water. Mix all the above ingredients well together, and let the mixture stand for several days. Keep the wash thus prepared in a kettle or portable furnace, and when used put it on as hot as possible with painters' or whitewash brushes.

PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE.

Most sought is he who sings the sweetest song;
Most honored he who does the least of wrong;
Most happy is the person who, each day,
Gives most of happiness along life's way.
—Charles H. Meiers.

RAISIN MIXTURE PUT IN COOKIES.

Cookies a little out of the ordinary are these: Cream a cupful of sugar and half a cupful of butter; then add a beaten egg, and half a cupful of sweet milk. When thoroughly mixed, stir in gradually three and a half cupfuls of flour, sifted with a teaspoonful of cream of tartar. The last thing flavor with vanilla. Roll or pat the mixture fairly thin, and cut out round.

Make a filling by cooking together in a double boiler, till thick, a cupful of raisins, half a cupful of cold water and a tablespoonful of flour. Spread this mixture on the cookies when they come from the oven and put together sandwich fashion.

THREE CLEANING HINTS.

When shaking or cleaning rugs they should never be grasped at the ends, but always at the side. In this way, if there is a fringe, it is protected and the ends do not ravel. The shape is also preserved.

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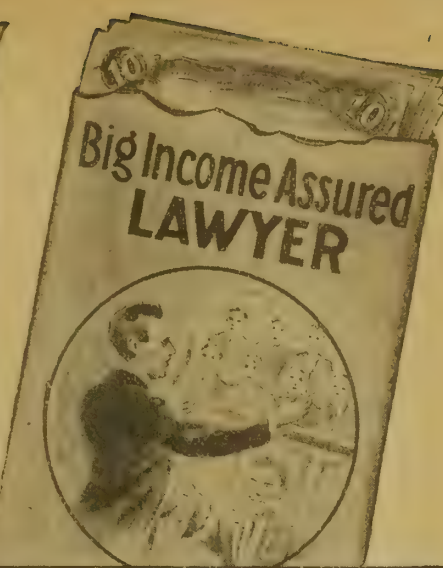
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A bubble pipe and a rusty screw,
A brassy watch key, broken in two,
A fish hook in a tangle of strings?—
No such thing.

What did he have in his pocket?
Ginger-bread crumbs, a whistle he made,
Buttons, a knife with a broken blade,
A nail or two and a rubber gun?—
Neither one.

What did he have in his pocket?
Before he knew it slyly crept
Under the treasures carefully kept,
And away they all of them quickly stole—
'Twas a hole! —Sydney Dayre.

BACK-DOOR RECOMMENDATIONS.

"Which boy will you have?" asked Mr. Ames.

He was going away for a week, and he wanted to invite one of the neighbor boys to stay with Mrs. Ames, and be ready to run errands. Of course he meant to pay well the boy who was selected.

"I think I'll have Jimmie White," said Mrs. Ames.

Mr. Ames looked surprised. Jimmie was the poorest boy in the neighborhood. There were others older and better looking and cleverer.

"You're wondering why," said Mrs. Ames. "I'll tell you. When Jimmie goes out in the back yard to cut wood for his mother, the cat comes and rubs against his legs, the dog jumps all over him, the little neighbor girl comes to the fence to show her dolly, and Jimmie's own small brother comes running to help. Those are his recommendations. I know he has a kind heart, and I like that better than almost anything else. There was another

boy I thought of, but I saw him kick his dog yesterday, and he torments the younger children on the way to school. He slaps his little sister, and whines when his mother asks him to do an errand. He takes off his hat, and speaks to me very politely when I am calling on his mother, and if he tried, he could be a splendid boy. But I've been looking up back-door recommendations, and he doesn't stand the test."

Mr. Ames then understood. "If boys and girls could only know that some one is often taking their measure when they are off guard!" he said.

Then he went over to ask Jimmie's mother if she could spare him for a week. "Two dollars, mother, for just helping after school!" cried Jimmie. "I'd have thought it was pay enough to stay over there, and take care of the pony, and get a chance to look at the books and pictures in the evening. I wonder how they came to choose me!"

KILLING THE DRAGON.

A little boy, four years old, was much impressed by the story of "St. George and the Dragon," which his mother had been reading to him and his sister, and the next day he said to his father:

"Father, I want to be a saint."

"Very well, John," said his father, "you may be a saint if you choose, but you will find it very hard work."

"I don't mind," replied John. "I want to be a saint and fight a dragon. I am sure I could kill one!"

"So you shall, my boy."

"When can I be one?" persisted the child.

"You can begin today," said the father.

"Where is the dragon?"

"I will tell you when he comes out."

So the boy ran off to play contentedly with his sister.

In the course of the day some presents came for the two children. John's was a

book and his sister Catherine's a beautiful doll. Now, John was too young to care for a book, but he dearly loved dolls, and when he found that his sister had what he considered a much nicer present than his own, he threw himself on the floor in a passion of tears.

His father, who happened to be there, said quietly, "Now, John, the dragon is out."

The child stopped crying, but said nothing. That evening, however, when he bade his father good-night, he whispered, "Papa, I am very glad Catherine has the doll. I did kill the dragon."

QUEER DOINGS.

Did you ever see—

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A band box or a cat trap?

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The shoe blow its horn?

A hare bell ring or

A cough drop,

A birch bark,

A pillow tick, or a

Tree top hum?

And did you ever, ever see

A board walk or a mill race?

Butter fly and the dish mop?

Corn prick up its ears or a potato wipe its eyes?

A clock wring its hands or a table cross its legs?

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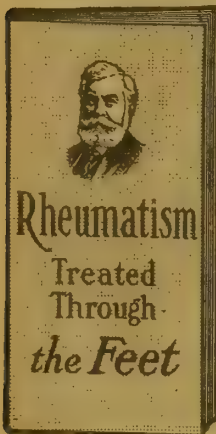
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MIRIAM'S WAY

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kind one of those terrible wrecks occurred that left no one to tell the tale of woe, or very few.

When Miriam came to herself she was in a hospital, with the kind faces of the sisters bending over her, and when she began calling for her loved ones they told her not to talk, that she had been very ill, and her friends were doing well. It all came back to her—the sudden shock, then the darkness—then she remembered no more until her awakening here. She felt very weak and helpless, and asked how long she had been here. She was silenced for a time, but finally would talk—she must see her husband and child; let her go to them. Were they in another room? Were they brought here after the wreck? Alas, she worried until she got the truth. She found she had been brought there unconscious and lay in a stupor, or had concussion of the brain, and had known nothing for months. There was nothing about her to identify her name or whereabouts, but she raved about Charlie and Julian, and they made inquiries and found all but three women and the engineer had been killed.

I will not dwell upon the grief and agony; and the uncertainty she felt was the worst. She thought he might have been picked up and carried, like herself, unconscious, somewhere and not able to tell the story, but it was told by those who investigated that the killed were buried in the little village graveyard near where the wreck occurred, and a head and foot stone of plain material to mark the unknown graves of those not called for, and what was thought to be hers was miles away from the town where she had been brought to the hospital.

As soon as she recovered sufficiently, she returned to London and made arrangements to come back to America, and to have her husband's and child's remains brought here. The physician in charge of the wounded and killed pleaded with her not to disturb the remains of her dead; that it would be terrible for her, as they were so mutilated; but she could not think of them as dead.

Mrs. Knight had been in America a year when I introduced you to her at the hospital. She took the advice of her husband's old lawyer and bought a home, fitted it up, and determined to adopt several orphan children and spend her life in doing good. The lawyer knew she ought to have something to love and work for. She was morbid and unhappy about finding her husband and child. They were snatched from her so suddenly in perfect health. There might have been a mistake, her mind was a blank for so long; there might have been something else done for them. This was the burden of her song.

Mrs. Knight had hunted all over the city on her return from abroad for the dear old foster-mother—her husband had remembered them handsomely on their wedding day—but she learned from one of the neighbors that they were doing well in a distant state, one of the girls having married well. Her German teacher had also moved away.

Miriam had gotten up Easter morning feeling determined to make as many people as she could happy that day. It was a sad day for her. The last happy day she had with her loved ones was Easter, the day before the wreck. Mary, her faithful maid, knowing she was happier

at the hospital with the children than anywhere else, helped to get her off early.

Miriam went every day to the children's ward (sometimes twice a day). After resting at home, she told Mary she must drive back Easter afternoon and see how little Allan was. He was her special pet; he had long, golden curls like her Julian, and she was thinking of adopting him, and his little sister, also. Mary had cheered up her young mistress all she could, gathered up some of the lovely violets and lilies and ferns left from her supply and put them in the elegant vases, so that the room with all its splendor might not look dreary, but cheerful and homelike.

Pretty soon after Mrs. Knight drove off, a cab drove up to her door, and a gentleman got out and took a crutch with him, walking with difficulty up the marble pavement. He rang the bell and asked if a Mrs. Knight lived there.

Mary replied that she did, but was away at present.

He said: "Can I come in and wait for her? I have important business with her. I am an old friend of hers."

Mary invited him into the cheerful-looking sitting room, the one where her mistress loved to spend most of her evenings. There was a wood fire burning in the open fireplace, and the atmosphere was laden with the fragrance of violets.

Mary lingered about, seeing if she could serve him, when he asked her if Mrs. Knight had lived in L— long, and if she had relatives there by that name.

"No, sir," said Mary, "she has no one; she lost her husband and child not a great while ago, and is still in mourning for them."

The gentleman seemed very much excited at this speech and turned pale. He asked for a glass of water. While Mary was gone he got up to see if he could recognize any of the pictures. No, there was nothing. How long the time seemed! Just then his eyes fell upon a little ivory-typed picture of a beautiful child with long, golden curls. "Great heavens!" he cried, "that looks like Julian. If I should be disappointed it would kill me." He took courage and asked Mary if that was Mrs. Knight's little boy's picture, and Mary said, "Yes, it was taken abroad." With that he came near fainting, leaning upon the mantel for support.

What was he to her young mistress, she wondered, and while she was thinking the problem out Mrs. Knight drove up and came briskly into the house. She looked brighter than when she left, but her thoughts were far away. Mary met her at the door and told her a gentleman was waiting to see her on business; she supposed it was about insurance or taxes.

The twilight was just coming on, the flickering firelight looked cheerful, sending out a warm, crimson light, and its radiance fell upon the brow of the man waiting for her. She approached him timidly, and they gazed into each other's eyes. She saw his crutch, and he spoke, saying:

"My wife! my Miriam! my precious one! have I found you? Oh, thank God for this hour!"

She fell upon his neck and wept tears of joy, embraced him, saying all the while, "I never believed you dead."

She was so excited that he made her sit down by him on the couch, and no one could ever do justice to the picture of their meeting. Mary stood looking on, forgetting herself in her joy for her mistress. She had prayed to the Virgin Mary and all the saints the whole of Lent that

Mrs. Knight might be made happier and more reconciled to her loss.

Oh, that happy reunion! What a love-light glowed in the two faces! It seemed like he had risen from the dead. How grand the Easter chorus had sounded, like peals of gladness, as she passed the old church near the hospital, and the children's voices, so merry, they were so glad to see her back again that evening, touched her heart, warming it up. This was her reward—her dear husband at home, waiting for her. Precious thought. For a second their joy seemed too great for speech, but they were silently clasped in each other's arms. Mary had slipped out quietly and communicated the good news to her servants. They were waiting to see their new master.

Mr. Knight told the story of himself, how he had been picked up by a kind farmer living a few miles from the wreck, who was passing by just as the accident occurred. He lived in a lonely part of the country—wild, and far from the large towns and cities. He and other kind neighbors did all they could. He felt life in Mr. Knight's pulse, and without any one's sanction picked him up, bleeding and mangled, and tenderly placed him in his wagon and drove him home for his kind wife to nurse back to life. He was unconscious for weeks, and had brain fever and a fractured leg. He had enough money on his person to defray the farmer's expenses. A kind country physician attended him. It was four months before he could raise his head from his pillow. He often talked so wildly they thought a blow upon the head had injured his mind. These simple, uneducated country people did not make any efforts to ferret out his case or hunt up his friends.

Mr. Knight, as soon as he realized where he was and how long he had been ill, got the old physician to find out all he could about the wreck. It was months after the low fever had so prostrated him before he could walk at all, or put his foot to the floor. The very first moment he was able to be lifted into a carriage he visited the place where the wreck occurred—a lonely, dreary spot five miles from any habitation.

The nearest town was where the unrecognized dead were buried until their friends could be heard from. Mr. Knight knew that Miriam had no money or cards, letters or anything by which she could be recognized; in fact, they knew no one, just traveling for pleasure and living entirely within themselves. He traced as nearly as he could those few who were taken to the hospital, and hoped that Miriam was one of them. Although they claimed that only three elderly women were saved, he felt sure from the description that it was Miriam who lay ill so long there, and mourned he and Julian as dead and had gone back to America. He determined to sail for home, crippled as he was, walking on two crutches and looking like a ghost of his old self. He improved every day after he started; the voyage did him good—braced him up.

We will not dwell on the details of his trip and his illness; it is enough to know that he is alive and reunited to his beautiful wife whom he loved so dearly.

Mary, faithful servant that she was, noticed how tired and faint he looked after the excitement, and had hurried out to plan for the dinner. The cook had prepared every delicacy she could think of, and had it ready for the new master. Mary illuminated the whole house. After

dinner Miriam showed her husband over their beautiful home.

"You know, Charlie," she said, "I thought I had lost you and Julian, and was going to turn this into an orphan asylum, hunt up poor little waifs and educate and fit them for being independent."

"You did right, darling," he said. "That is like your noble self to think of it. We will endow a home for children in the memory of little Julian."

She told him how she had already had a Julian Knight cot, and a ward for children that she looked after entirely.

"And I have adopted a little boy, Allan by name, who has long, golden curls like our boy, and reminds me so of him. I brought him there a cripple, but the doctor said he could be cured and be able to walk as well as ever. He has a lovely little three-year-old sister. His mother is dying of consumption, so I want both the children. She has promised them to me."

Mr. and Mrs. Knight have lavished their wealth upon the poor and friendless. It took much of the sting of their loss away by making so many children happy. In their neighborhood most any pretty afternoon you could see little Allan mounting his pony, his long, golden curls floating in the wind, and his little sister, dressed beautifully, walking out with her nurse. They were known as Allan Knight and Bessie Knight, and they were as good as they were beautiful.

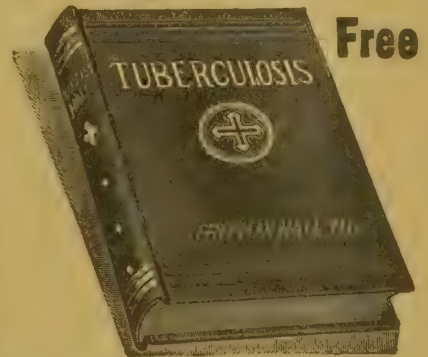
They were often told how their pretty mama, when a little girl, went to bed cold and hungry, and had no pretty dolls, no clothes like theirs, and that there were many little children in the world poor and unhappy, and they must always be good and gentle to such. They often came walking in, bringing a little waif or poor blind person, saying, "My pretty mama wants you; she helps everybody." And Miriam felt that it was best to err in the wrong direction, be deceived sometimes, than ever to miss a chance of helping a needy one.

Many a happy Easter did they have at

the grand mansion on the hill, at Mr. and Mrs. Knight's. She always felt that her husband was given back to her on that day in answer to her fervent prayers, and it was especially dear to her. She always made it a point to brighten some poor person's home or life on Easter.—Sara H. Henton.

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The first letter of each word spells the name of a season of the year.

1. A poisonous reptile.
2. Something hung on the wall.
3. Name of a former President.
4. The coldest thing on earth.
5. A girl's name, also the name applied to a goat.
6. A precious metal.

—Miss Minnie Barnhart, Kansas.

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"Mrs. Chucksley, is your husband a member of any secret society?"
"He thinks he is—but he talks in his sleep."

"Jones tells me his son is making a noise in the world."
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She—"I'll never go anywhere again with you as long as I live."
He—"Whereby?"

She—"You asked Mrs. Smith how her husband was standing the heat, and he's been dead two months."

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Mrs. Fox—"Great news, John. Our son is engaged to Miss Golder."

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Wife—"George, I want to see that letter."

Husband—"What letter?"

Wife—"That one you just opened. I know by the handwriting it is from a woman, and you turned pale when you read it. Hand it here, sir!"

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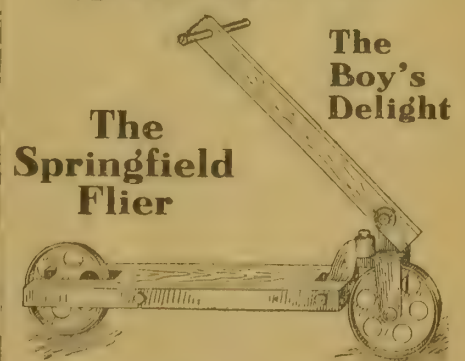
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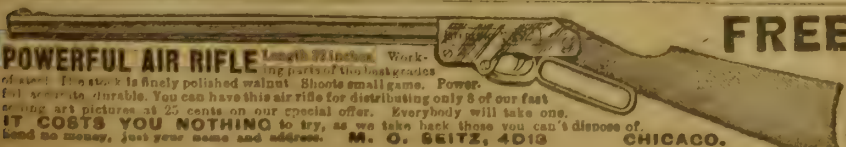
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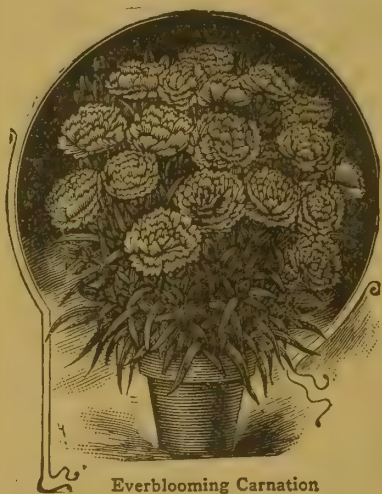
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Talks with Our Readers

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The contest is open to everybody except residents of Clark County, Ohio, in which our own city of Springfield is located. It will close May 31, 1914. Reports of counts received after the last day of May will not be entitled to consideration in the contest.

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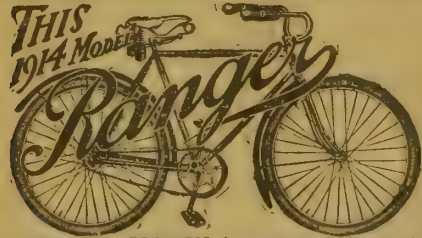
Our Grandmothers! What would they think of the spectacle of more than two hundred thousand women going to the polls and voting in the spring elections of the state of Illinois? That is just what happened, and yet its accomplishment has been effected as quietly and the announcement received as complacently as if it were an old custom. By the votes of these Illinois women nearly a thousand saloons were voted out of existence, marking a great triumph as a result of their first exercise of the voting privilege. Not many years will elapse until all women will be privileged to vote, in all states of the Union.

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By ELLIOTT WALKER

"Hattie, you fly around like a bit of scandal in a country village. What ails you this morning?" cried Polly Fanning, as her elder sister banged the tins about the buttery with an apparently unnecessary clatter.

Harriet poked her head around the door. Her thin cheeks were flushed with excitement and exertion, and her thoughtful brown eyes were unnaturally large and bright.

"I'm looking for pails," she replied. "We used to have a lot of them."

"Pails!" echoed Polly, in amazement. "What do you want with pails? The big eight-quart is up in the garret. I filled it with water, and put it there for a fire extinguisher. The six-quart is down in the cellar full of tomatoes."

A few moments later a loud swash of water from the attic was followed by a howl of indignation underneath the parlor window, and a small boy, wrathful and dripping, tore into the kitchen.

"Who done it!" he yelled, jumping up and down before his astonished aunt. "Who done it, I say?"

"I didn't, Ellis; it must have been your Aunt Hattie—she poured my pail of water on you by mistake, I guess. It's too bad. Come, I'll help you change your things. Why, you are not very wet, after all. It sort of spattered you."

"I'm soaked through and through," protested the boy, bitterly. "I'm 'most drowned. Oh, ain't she mean, though?"

"She didn't intend to, Ellis. Don't begin to cry now. Get a doughnut, and run out in the sun—you'll dry off in a few minutes."

"I'll take two doughnuts to dry me off," said the eight-year-old, looking more cheerful, "three, maybe," he added, rather doubtfully.

"Well, you may have two small ones. Remember, I'll trust you to pick them out, Ellis."

The abused one presently sneaked out of the woodshed, tightly clutching the two largest cakes the pan had contained. "I wasn't goin' to pick 'em over to find the little one," he remarked to his easily soothed conscience.

"What is the matter with that boy?" asked Harriet, descending. "I certainly heard him scream."

"You doused him, that's all. He is all right now. Do sit down and tell me what is going on—a picnic?"

"Picnic! No! Business! Huckleberries!" ejaculated the other, sitting on the dresser and breathing fast. "There's no time to lose, either! The pasture lot is full of them—just right to pick, and nobody knows it. I found it out this morning coming back from Savage's. I want you and Ellis and 'Gal' right away. We can get oceans of them by night."

Polly's mild blue eyes, so like her mother's, opened wide as she looked searchingly at her sister.

"You crazy thing!" she said. "Go up yourself, and get two or three quarts—that's all we can eat."

"Eat!" burst out Harriet. "I'm not going to eat them. I'm going to sell them, Polly."

"Sell them!" gasped her companion, in consternation. "Oh, Hattie, you can't peddle berries."

Harriet hopped off the dresser. "I can!" she said, decidedly. "And what's more, I'm going to! You are going with me, too. We need every cent we can pick up—you know that, Polly Fanning. Think of mother, and what she needs. Think of all we can get for a few dollars. Put your pride in your pocket, the same as I have, and start right in. If I am willing to do it, you should be. Goodness knows—she stopped and swallowed, with tears in her eyes.

"I'll go," said her sister quickly. "You are a better woman than I am, Harriet." She stepped over and kissed the now streaming cheeks. "I'll get Mrs. Dabney to stay with mother, and hunt up 'Gal.' He is over in the meadow haying, but he can leave it. We can be ready in half an hour."

Harriet tossed her head, and felt for her handkerchief. "I'm a fool to cry—but I hate it just as much as you do. Mother needn't know. She would be so upset. Let's bang right along and not mind. We can pretend it's fun. It will be easier." She held her sister close for a moment. "Come," she said; "let's get started."

"Berryin', hey?" queried old Gamaliel Hooker. "Goin' ter sell 'em, hey? Course I'll go. I use ter be the best picker ever was. Goin' ter hitch up airy an' drive ter town with 'em, yer say."

He eyed Polly narrowly with a queer look blended with curiosity and affection. "Ye're two good gals," he said, with a sort of cluck, "an' I'm proud on ye. Does Mis' Fannin' know what ye're up ter?"

"No; we thought we wouldn't tell her, 'Gal.' 'I wouldn't," said the old man; "might upst her, bein' so weakly an'—an' notional. Run along now. I'll be right up to the house."

"He understands," thought the girl, as she went back. "Bless his heart! He may be only our hired man, but he is a gentleman all the same. I honestly think he really loves us. Why, I don't believe anything could induce him to leave. I don't see how he does so much."

Never were huckleberries so fit for picking as those fat, black, shining fellows loading the low bushes in the mountain pasture that pleasant afternoon in the early days of August. Never did nimble fingers work more industriously to fill the big tin pails with the wholesome spoil. To be sure, the collection of Ellis Wells had to be kept apart, being motley and full of sticks. The lips of the youthful Ellis were badly stained, and his round countenance somewhat streaked with purple, long before the sun sinking in the west warned his absorbed elders that their work must cease.

The tongue of Gamaliel Hooker had wagged cheerfully, and with hearty encouragement, keeping the two women in a state of constant merriment, as his drollery and tales of the "berry pickin'" of his long ago lightened their hearts and labors.

The light, drifting clouds had given them comfortable alterations of sun and shade, and the dreaded afternoon in the heat had passed as a grateful relief from the humdrum household duties of the day.

"It's lucky we brought a big lunch," remarked Polly, as they prepared to start homeward. "I think Ellis has refreshed himself regularly every hour on what was left over. Every scrap is gone. Well, he has been contented, and had a good time. I'll be sorry when Francis sends for him next month."

"He's a good young 'un," observed Gal. "His appetite's mighty, but the way with boys. He must hev picked two quarts an' e't about three. Goin' ter take him along to-morrow?"

"No, sir!" cried Harriet. "He stays with his grandmother and you."

"I'll look arter him," said the man. "Yer ma'll feed him everything in the house of she's let to. Now I'll pick over yer berries an' fix 'em fer yer. Ye've got supper ter git, an' then go ter bed airy. I'll see ter it ye're started right in the mornin'."

Polly patted him on the arm. "You are a comfort in life, 'Gal," she said. "I don't know what we should do without you."

"Sho!" said the old fellow, embarrassed. "I don't do nothin'! Here we are hum ag'in, an' we had gre't pickin' an' a good time. Supper'll be ready in about half an hour, I s'pose."

He carried in the berries, then walked out to the barn. "Two likely gals, an' purty," he ruminated, "an' good. How they hev growed up. Why, whay! Hattie's 'most twenty-seven years old, an' little Polly's two years younger. Don't seem's ef it could be. An' I toted 'em 'round when they wa'n't knee-high. Their father—" He picked up a hay fork, and thrust it savagely into the maw. "Dum it!" he muttered, "it don't seem right! Peddin' berries—dum! An' three years ago we was all comfortable off. Then Sam had ter die. Last words he said ter me was, 'Gal, do what ye kin fer 'em. I hain't left much but the farm an' a good name.' An' little by little we've run down ter peddin' berries. I didn't reely sense it afore. An' the old lady's never been the same, an' now she's roomatic."

"Where's young Cutter, I wanter know," his thoughts wandered on. "I thought sure he an' Hattie would make a match, but they fell out somehow. Now ef they hadn't it would hev all come out nice an' easy. His old man's died an' left him well fixed—big farm, an' money, too. Wonder what 'twas they fit about? None of my business, but I'd like ter know."

Gamaliel jammed a forkful of hay into the horse's manger. "Eat, yer old sinner," he observed; "ye're goin' ter town to-morrow a-peddlin'. Ef ye knowed it ye'd run away, I bet. Old Doctor Belton gin ye to Mis' Fannin' ten year ago come Thanksgiving. I kin see him now jest the way he done it. 'Here, darter, says he, 'this colt is yer own. He comes of as good a family in his line as we do in our'n. Remember that, Maria,' says he, 'an' treat him accordin'."

"Law! but them 'Beltons was high-notioned. It took the Doctor three year to forgive Sam fer bein' a farmer. 'Twa'n't his fault thet Mis' Fannin' up an' said she'd marry him or nobody. Whoa! Back up a little, Jason!"

The patient, blue-eyed, crippled mother was delighted that her girls had so enjoyed their little picnic. They must go often. So they

were to drive to town the next day to do some errands. Perhaps they would meet some of her old friends. The girls winced. If they had time they might call on Mrs. Dennard. She was still living in the old homestead. The girls shuddered. They watched the fine-cut face in the dim glow of the shaded lamp as she rambled on about her girlhood, then stroked the soft, silvering hair, kissed the faded cheeks, and bade her good-night.

"She doesn't realize it," said Harriet, solemnly. "She lives so much in the past now that her present existence is like a dream. How will it end, Polly?"

Her sister shook her head. "We can only wait," she replied.

The morning dawned bright and cool, and the start was made long before their prospective customers thought of leaving their beds.

Gal had carefully covered the pails from view, and there was nothing to indicate the object of their expedition.

"I slipped in a couple of broilers," whispered the old man, just as Harriet took up the reins. "Ye kin git fifty cents apiece fer 'em."

The two drove away with forced smiles and mirthless farwells, and traversed a mile before either spoke.

"Berries!" observed the elder sister at last, with a hard little ring in her voice.

"Broilers!" replied Polly, mournfully. Then they both laughed. It was not a joyful sound, though, but the sort of laugh one gives when a joke is not understood, and appreciation is expected.

As they turned a bend in the road, a man driving a spirited horse approached them.

"Mercy!" cried Polly; "it's Andrew Cutter!" She glanced anxiously at her sister. Harriet's face was set as if carved in stone, her eyes staring straight at her horse's ears. Then the seldom-used whip fell sharply on Jason's flanks.

"Don't notice him, Polly," whispered the elder girl.

It was always a mistake to let the lash fall upon Jason. His proud spirit and ancient legs alike rebelled. Giving a snort of wrath, he jumped, reared up, and his driver pulling hard in her excitement, lost her balance, and fell ingloriously in the dust. There was a shock, a clatter, an exclamation of horror, and from the wagon box a stream of huckleberries rolled into the road.

Polly never knew just how it happened, but a minute afterward she was holding Andrew Cutter's horse, while that gentleman and Harriet assisted the entangled Jason to his feet.

Somehow they were a long time adjusting the harness on the off side. Polly peered around at them, then looked away quickly, and drove a little distance down the road.

"He certainly kissed her, and she let him," she thought, excitedly. "They have made up at last! Oh, isn't it splendid!"

Ten minutes later the Fanning sisters went on their way to Prattville, and a tall man, with three pails of huckleberries and a pair of broilers in the back of his buggy, drove slowly to his home with a happy face.

Polly held something in her hand, something that crisped and crackled as she squeezed it. "He said it was to get things for mother, Hattie," she whispered, apologetically. "Was it all right to take it?"

"I—I guess so," replied Harriet, in a far-away voice. "I guess everything's all right."

"Then gals went an' sold pails an' all," wondered Gamaliel Hooker, as he rubbed Jason down late that afternoon. "They must hev done well, though, from the stuff they fetched back. Didn't fergit the old man, neither," he added, taking a new pipe from his pocket and gazing at it rapturously.

"Hello! If there ain't Andrew Cutter drivin' inter the yard. What's he comin' fer, I wantter know."

"Oh! oh! oh!" cried Eve. "Oh, what shall I do? Oh, where shall I go?"

At every cry a thought pierced her breast like a stab.

"Tom, my Tom! What shall I do? Tom! Tom! He to be false—Tom! Oh, I have gone mad! No! There they are. They are really there—those letters. Why do I not die? Do people live through such things as these?"

Then she knelt down on the floor and gathered up the letters and steadily read them through. There were ten of them. Such love letters! No other interpretation could be put upon them. They were absurd love letters, such as are always produced in court in cases of breach of promise. And they called him "Popsy, Wopsy," "Darling Parling," "Lovey Dovey," "Own Sweetness," and "Angel of my Soul," and they were all signed, "Your own Nellie."

"It is all true," said poor Eve, wringing her hands. "And it is worse than anything that I have ever heard of. I trusted him so, I believed in him so. My Tom, mine!"

Then she wiped her eyes, gathered up the letters, wrapped the silver paper about them, tied the blue ribbon, and put them back in the awful breast pocket of that dreadful overcoat, and hung it up in the hall again.

"Tom shall never know," she said. "I'll not reproach him. I will never see him again; when he comes home, I shall be dead. I will not live to bear this."

Then she sat down to think over the best means of suicide. She could hang herself to the chandelier with the window-blind cord; but then she would be black in the face and hideous. She would drown herself; but then her body would go floating down the river into the sea; and drowned people looked even worse than strangled ones. She was too much afraid of firearms to shoot herself, even in this strait. She would take poison. Yes, that would be best; and though she should never see Tom again, he would never see her, and remorse would sting him.

Here she made a great mistake. A man who is coolly treacherous to women never has any remorse. Remorse in love affairs is a purely feminine quality, and even the worst of the sex are not without it. However, it is natural to believe that remorse is possible to a man whom one has believed to be an angel in human form, and Eve took a little miserable comfort in the thought that Tom would kneel beside her coffin and burst into tears and passionate exclamations of regret, which she perhaps might see from some spiritual point of observation.

So, having put on a hat and thick veil, Eve betook herself around the corner to the nearest drug store. The druggist was an old German, a benevolent-looking one, with red cheeks and

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AN OVERCOAT TRAGEDY

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She had promised him that she would mend the lining of his new overcoat if he would wear another and leave that at home. And so, as he left it, she took it from the hall and carried it into her boudoir.

Her name was Eve Wilton, and she had been married five years, and never, never, never in all that time had one unhappy moment. Mr. Wilton had been very attentive, very kind, very generous, and had never made her jealous. She often said that she was the happiest woman living. Now, as she looked at the lining and compared the silk with which she was about to replace the torn portion, she was thinking these thoughts. They had never had any children, but when people are all in all to each other, that is no very great grief. All her care was for him, all his for her.

"And he is just the dearest, best, truest fellow in the world!" said Eve to herself. "I'm not half good enough for him. I wonder what this is in his pocket; it bulges it all out of shape."

She put her hand into the breast pocket as she spoke, and drew out a little package wrapped in paper and tied with blue ribbon.

"Something he has bought for me, I expect," said Eve. "I wonder what it is. I think that I won't open it until he comes home."

She laid the silk across the hole, cut it out and basted it down.

"I wonder what it is," said she. "Tom did mean to get me an opera glass, I know; but that is not the shape of the parcel. It doesn't seem like a book. It might be lace wound on a card, real lace."

She looked at the package again.

"I do wonder what it is," and then hemmed the patch down. "There wasn't much to mend, after all. I thought the tear much longer. He caught it on a nail in the office, I know. Now, I do wonder what is in that package."

Eve put the coat over a chair and took up the parcel.

"Tom won't mind," she said. "I will just take a peep. I'm sure it's for me."

Then she undid the ribbon, unfolded the paper and saw letters.

"Dear Tom! He keeps my letters next his heart, and he has never told me."

But the writing was not hers; she saw that at a glance.

"His mother's letters," she said. "He loved his mother so."

Then she began to tremble a little, for the letters did not begin with "My dear son," nor with anything like it. She cast her eyes over them. They were love letters.

"Tom has loved some other woman before he met me," she said, beginning to cry. "Oh,

what shall I do?" Then she cried out, "Oh, foolish, foolish creature that I am! Of course, she died, and he only loves me now. It was all over before we met. I must not mind."

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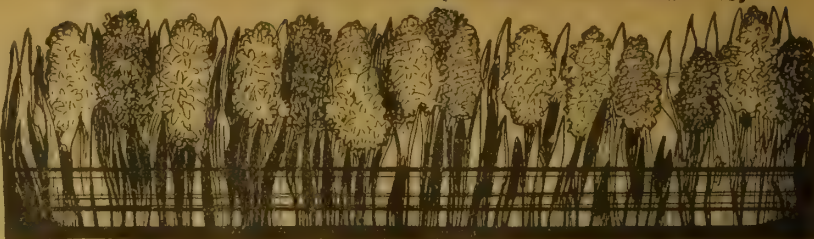
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The lure of California's perpetual May—when it isn't October—coupled with the desirability of snuggling up to the vast new markets to be developed along the Pacific shores by the opening of the Panama Canal, is responsible for the coming to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition of another world-beater in the way of a foreign exhibit. This time it is Holland with her marvelous array of bulbs and the rarest of flowering annuals and perennials in the production of which the Netherlands stand supreme.

Announcement of the completion of arrangements to secure this attraction was made recently by George A. Dennison, chief of the department of horticulture, following a meeting with Holland's Exposition commissioners. At the conference, final details were worked out, covering the location of the living display, both inside the Horticultural Palace and in the open-air gardens, where an acre will be devoted to a display chiefly of rare Holland bulbs. Also it was decided to plant a series of supplementary gardens surrounding the pavilion of the Netherlands government.

It is promised that this floral display will be the most extensive, varied and beautiful of any ever made by a foreign country at any exposition. While the bringing of an acre or two of bulbs and blooming plants to California may seem like "carrying coal to Newcastle," since the Golden State is the land of flowers, it must be remembered that the low, moist lands of Holland are the principal source of most of the lilies, tulips, narcissus, gladioli, and other flowering bulbs, corms and tubers, for the whole world; and the fact demonstrated within the past few years in the redwood sections of California that this state has every qualification for competing with the Dutch bulb product, will make this foreign exhibit one of exceptional interest not only to florists and dealers, but to every flower-loving householder.

That the landscape gardening effects attained by the Holland floral exhibits will be things of artistic beauty, unique in design, is certain. The laying out of these gardens, so that there will be a rotation of plants and a constant blooming period throughout the ten months of the exposition as well as the arrangement of the special display in the Horticultural Palace, is in the hands of the noted Dutch landscape expert, A. Van Vliet, who will be on the job until the close of the celebration. He is the artist who planned the wonderland of gardens surrounding the Peace Palace at the Hague. Mr. Van Vliet, with commissioners de Graaf and Torchiana yesterday inspected the sites, and, like the English floral experts, who recently visited San Francisco, expressed amazement and delight at the opportunities afforded by the exposition site and by the climatic conditions for a horticultural

display such as the world has never seen.

Accompanying the Netherlands commissioners are two other noted color artists, Herman Rosser and Mrs. Rosser. The latter, known to the world of art as Suz Laut, was one of the landscape architects of the Hague Peace Palace. Rosser, who did the decorations for the same building, has been delegated to supervise the decorations and color work for the Netherlands building at the Panama Exposition, working along the lines of the general color scheme laid down by Color Director Jules Guerin.

PLANTING SWEET PEAS.

In making the spring sowing of sweet peas it is best to dig the ground as early as it can be worked without hastiness. The seed in such cases should be sown much more deeply than in the fall. The best way to do this is to make a trench four or six inches deep, the greater depth in the lighter soil, then to cover the seed only about an inch deep, and to firm it in the soil by tamping it down somewhat with the flat of the hoe. After the plants have grown a couple of inches a little of the soil from the sides of the trench may be worked up toward them so as partially to bury the stems. Later when the plants have grown a couple of inches more a second filling in should be given. This process should continue until the stems have been buried, not only up to the level of the ground, but two or three inches above the surface, so that there is a ridge over the very spot where there was formerly a trench.

A very pleasing way in which to grow sweet peas, whether sown in autumn or spring, is to plant the seed in circles about fifteen inches in diameter, an inch between seeds as before. Outside of each circle should be driven two stout stakes opposite each other, about eighteen inches in the ground and a foot above. Over them and fastened securely to them, after the plants have grown six or eight inches, should be placed a cylinder of stout woven wire fence about five feet high. The plants will climb up the interior of these cylinders and to a large extent push their flowers through the meshes towards the outside. The advantages of this method of growing sweet peas are: First, that no attention is required to train the vines upon their support; and second, there is a decided novelty in having pillars of sweet peas, especially when each pillar is of a distinct variety.

Sweet peas should not be planted in the same place two years in succession. They should have a tolerably rich soil, but it should not be over enriched or the vines will grow at the expense of the blossoms. If the soil is light, treading or rolling it down will tend to prevent early blight. A light mulch which will shade the ground and keep it moist is beneficial. For the green lice, or aphids, use kerosene emulsion.

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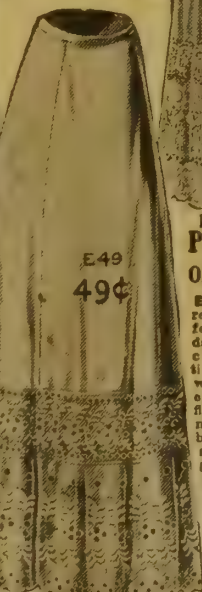
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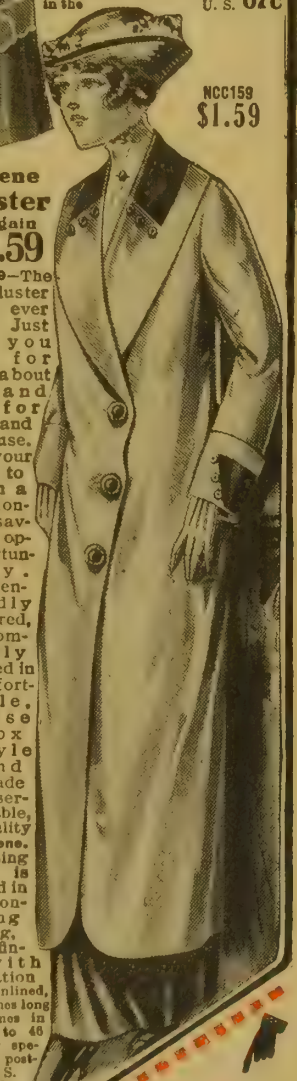
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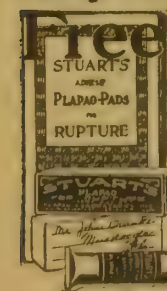
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Our Readers Tell of Their Success With Their Favorite Flowers

GERANIUMS.

I have had better success with geraniums over any other flower that I have grown, as a bedding plant, also for pot plants; have had them to grow over two feet in height, sending out long stems with enormous trusses. If one cannot have a bed in their yard, make one along the side of the house where they will get the sun most of the day. Good garden soil with a little sand and rotted barnyard fertilizer in it is best; they do better if the soil is not too rich. Keep a nice shape by a little pruning. The yellow leaves should be cut off. Work around them once a week to keep the weeds out and let the air to the roots. Give plenty of water; the suds from your weekly wash is fine fertilizer for them. Every other day give a shower bath to keep the leaves free from dust. No flower can grow when their leaves are covered with dirt. Plants wanted for winter blooming in the house start early in the summer and keep in the shade until they start to grow. Then place where they will get the morning sun. Keep all buds broken off till fall.—Mrs. S. H. Butts, Kentucky.

SWEET PEAS.

I am a great lover of all kinds of flowers, but take especial pride and interest in growing sweet peas. Every summer I have a long row in my front yard, and their many different colors and varieties nodding to greet me more than repay the labor I spend in tending them.

First of all, in choosing the site for my row, I was careful to have it running north and south, that the sun would shine evenly on one side in the morning and on the other side in the afternoon. In the open (for sweet peas thrive best where there is no shade) I dug a trench about two feet deep and a foot wide. I removed all the soil, which was not very rich, and in the bottom I filled barn-yard manure about three inches deep, then another layer of dead tree-stump soil, and put back the original soil, mixing it all well by chopping it until very fine. The soil then ready to sow was dark, mellow and very rich and loamy.

Early in the spring, during the first week of April, I have sown and had peas blooming until the Fourth of July. Sow the peas not too thick and cover only about three inches deep and sprinkle with warm water. Best of all, soak the peas over night before planting, and they will sprout more readily. When they have had about two months growth I build the arbor, for the health and growth of the peas depend on support at the proper time, before the tendrils grow, for they are very delicate and must not be disturbed after they once begin to climb.

The arbor is not less than five feet high, for the peas will grow that tall if properly supported. And to thrive best the support should be of twine, as the hot sun in July and August burns the vines against a wire support. Also when watering (which must be done every day during the warm weather), at evening is the best time; then it soaks into the roots, and the moisture is carried up through the sap into the vines and flowers. The blossoms should be trimmed off as soon as they begin to bloom, as much of the vitality is saved; then once a week when they bloom heavier. Never should any pods be allowed to ripen on the vines.

I have had sweet peas blooming as late as September, beginning in July. In selecting seed I get all different kinds and varieties from many houses and mix all together, and sow two rows about three inches apart, then the same arbor does for both, and the sweet peas bloom on each side.

I have always had splendid luck with mine and hope my sister flower lovers will be helped by my article. We cannot love and appreciate too much the flowers God has given to cheer us.—Mabelle G. Reiter, Pennsylvania.

THE ASTER.

I have had the best success in growing the aster. I sowed the seed about the first of April in a small bed in the garden. When the plants were about two inches high I transplanted them into three beds—the beds being four feet wide and twelve feet long—and put each plant about fourteen inches apart. In one bed I had the white ones, in another the pink, and in the third one the lavender and purple ones.

As the plants grew taller I would mound up the dirt around the stalks, thus giving more firmness to the plants and retaining the moisture in the roots. They began blooming the middle of August, and from these three beds I cut at least eighty dozen beautiful blooms, some of the flowers having stems twenty-four inches long. As they bloomed so profusely, and having so many more than I had expected, I sold fourteen dozen blooms at 75 cents per dozen, which netted me a nice little sum.

They had to be watered every evening, as they require a great amount of moisture. They continued to bloom until the last of September, and I was more than pleased with the good results I had.—Miss N. Brassier, Illinois.

PANSIES.

Raising flowers of any kind in Kansas thirty years ago was a difficult matter, and all attempts at raising pansies had proven failures in our locality. I thought the difficulties not insurmountable, though my friends assured me I would fail as they had done.

I chose a sheltered location for my experiment, on the north and east sides of the house, and had it well spaded in the fall. After this was done I covered the surface with rotted manure to the depth of three inches, and let it remain so all winter.

In February I started my seed in boxes, reserving some to plant outside in April. I procured the very best seed within my means, for good care will not produce prize blossoms unless the seed was saved from good plants. My plants were transplanted once and by May 1st were fine, stocky plants, some of them budded. My bed had been spaded again and a little sharp sand added, for the original soil was stiff and hard. I raked it until it was free from lumps, and then one cloudy day set my precious plants. From the very first they grew vigorously, and in a short time the bed was covered with blossoms, long-stemmed, large, and with such rich coloring and thick, velvety texture they were the admiration of all who saw them. I never allowed them to suffer for lack of water, and once every week I gave an application of liquid manure.—Margaret M. Mann, Colorado.

Floral Problems

Conducted by R. McGregor

[Our readers are privileged to avail themselves of the knowledge acquired by Mr. McGregor in his many years of experience as an enthusiastic florist. Whatever may be your trials or troubles in the flower line, write us, and he will gladly assist you. Send two-cent stamp if you desire reply by mail.—Editor.]

New Hardy Begonia—Mrs. Annie M. Wilson, New York.—The description you give of the begonia seems to be very close to that of an old Hardy Everblooming Begonia, but one only recently distributed and under the name of Evansiana. Its habit would class it with a herbaceous hardy perennial plant. The flowers are a shade of pink profusely formed and lasting throughout the season. The plants like a rich, porous loam and partial shade and an even moist location. This new begonia can be had in dry bulbs in the early spring or in started plants from the middle of April on. The writer is not acquainted with it under any other common name, but it undoubtedly is known under some sort of a descriptive name as is generally given to many of our different plants.

Plants from Flower Boxes—Miss Esther Polier, South Carolina.—A good list of plants for flower boxes will be found in geraniums, hibiscus, cannas, begonias, heliotropes, salvias, verbenas, petunias, allyssum, lobelias, nasturtiums and dusty millers, to be used with vines, such as variegated vinca and Cobea Scandens. A most effective planting is solid red or pink geraniums with dusty millers and vincas and a planting of salvias with Cobea Scandens or a variety of plants can be used, such as is generally found with vase plantings. The soil should be simply a good garden loam with plenty of drainage provided for. If you will write to any of the catalogue houses, giving the size of the boxes and your preference in flowers or colors, they will be glad to help you in a definite selection.

Popular Hardy Climbing Roses—Mrs. N. F. Wolcott, Vermont.—Among the popular and notorious of climbing roses of today we find Pink Dorothy Perkins, White Dorothy Perkins, Tausendachon, Climbing Baby Rambler, Shower of Gold, Excelsa, Lady Gay, Philadelphia Rambler, Dr. Van Fleet, Climbing American Beauty, Silver Moon, etc. With these of course would go the old reliable hardy climbing roses of the Prairie Queen and Tennessee Belle type. All of these are perfectly hardy and can be depended on for flowers. You say your soil is light; it should have an addition of some clay, as roses do not like a light soil. Right now would be the time to buy the plants, and you can secure them from any of the nurserymen or catalogue houses. Such roses as named would require absolutely no care, excepting, of course, it would be beneficial to bank the soil around the base of the plants to shed them from the winter rains. The only trimming that would be necessary would be to cut back any dead wood if the tips of the plants should freeze back. This is hardly likely, however, with such varieties as mentioned. With the half-hardy varieties, such as Climbing Souper, Climbing Meteor, Climbing Hermosa and similar half-hardy roses, there should be some protection given the plants. Nothing is more easy to handle with good results than these hardy shrubs, as they are as easily cared for as hardy shrubs.

A June Flower Show—Mrs. J. E. McGuire, Oklahoma.—Your inquiry asking for the necessary information and ideas for carrying out a successful flower show is not an easy question to answer. The first and all-important point, however, to take care of, is to secure organized support in the project. The next point would be to grow flowers in accordance with the purpose of the show. If the show is to be one for profit, then a great quantity of flowers would be desired and the growing should be carried on accordingly; that is, many of the more common flowers and at a comparatively small cost would produce a great amount of bloom and proportionally give you more revenue. If the show is one for an exhibition purpose only, then a greater variety of flowers, and especially novelties, etc., would prove much more interesting. Bear in mind that you cannot be too careful in the choice of a place for the show, nor too much care cannot be given towards securing an effective display and while a good deal of work is necessary to make a successful show, it generally can be turned to a profit. Correspondence with the large catalogue houses of the country will undoubtedly bring you premiums, and if you will advise this department on what particular points you would care for help, we will be only too glad to give all the assistance possible.

Trouble with Roses—Mrs. C. M. Bousland, Arkansas.—Probably the most common, and yet one of the most easily destroyed insects, is the green fly, which appears on the under side of

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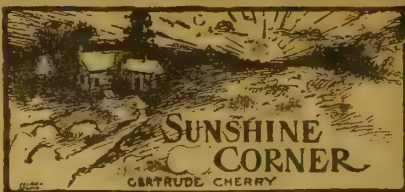
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 If I to one in gloom can show the sunny side,
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There are only four short lines in the above poetry, but study it and see how much it means. Then learn it and practice its meaning. We are all much happier and feel that we have done something if we live to help others. There are persons who are waiting for a kind word, a little sympathy and a little cheer from us, but are too modest to let their wants be known. Place ourselves in their position and see how we would like to be treated. This is a good test.

IF I HAD KNOWN.

If I had known what trouble you were bearing,
 What griefs were in the silence of your face,
 I would have been more gentle and more caring,
 And tried to give you gladness, for a space,
 I would have brought more warmth into the place—

If I had known.

If I had known what thoughts despairing drew you,
 (Why do we never try to understand?)
 I would have lent a little friendship to you,
 And slipped my hand within your hand,
 And made your stay more pleasant in the land—

If I had known.

—Mary Carolyn Davies.

WHERE TO SEND CHEER.

Miss Mary E. Rogers has changed her address from Lillington, N. C., to Sanford, N. C. She appreciates orders for her crocheted slippers. She has rheumatism, and has not had her hands to her head in years.

Mrs. Eliza Applegate, of Broad Ripple, Ind., R. F. D. 12, does not receive many cards, etc., any more and thinks the readers have forgotten her. Show her you have not. She was 83 years old on April 30th, and we hope she received many greetings.

Mrs. Carrie E. Brown, R. F. D. 1, Bethel, Vt., is very grateful to all for cheer received. She also thanks "Julie" for her comforting letters. She says, "I enjoyed them so well, but I dare not ask her to write again, because I know she has so much to do."

Eloise Miller, of Canajoharie, N. Y., R. F. D., is a young girl who has never walked. She is so patient with her affliction that she spreads sunshine among all who know her. She is now drawn out of shape by locomotor ataxia. Needs only cheer. Be sure to remember her.

Miss Nellie Eppes, Bland Lake, Texas, who is paralyzed from arms to her feet, by being accidentally shot, appreciated the cards, letters and pieces for quilt work. Anything will be appreciated to cheer her or aid her, as her family has not much of this world's goods. Put her on your list.

Mrs. Addie F. Thompson, Oxford, Maine, is so grateful to all who sent aid to her. She says she received \$2.70 from Journal readers toward buying the bandage she needed, but the Lewiston Branch bought the bandage for her, so she will use the money to buy food. She is very grateful to all.

Mrs. Ella Rouse, of Paris, Mo., has been an invalid for over thirty-five years. She is so patient and appreciates even a card, which cheers her for hours. A letter party has been asked for her for May 2nd. Who will send her a letter, some little gift or a card? Please do not forget this. If it is too late when you get this word, send one anyway.

Our young shut-in friend, Miss Mabel Capewell, of Woodbury, Conn., is charming to know.

She writes a beautiful letter both in penmanship and composition. Poor child, she is shut in upstairs until May. She gets quite lonesome, yet never complains. She has plenty of good reading which is sent to her. But a cheery card would show her she was not forgotten.

Miss Julia Bennet, of 56 Catherine Street, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., still wishes to sell her fancy work, as so much depends on her. She lies on her back, with limb in a cast, and tries to support herself and mother. She makes beautiful things for the neck, pretty handkerchiefs, embroidery or slippers. Will gladly send price and description to all who send stamp for reply. She is very worthy.

Last month we called your attention to a young shut-in who cannot walk a step. She has rheumatism in a very serious form. Some of her joints are already ossified. She is in need of a new set of teeth, and as she depends on outside assistance, we ask that our readers send her a dime for the teeth. Her physician wrote a splendid reference for her. Address **Willie Collier, Como, Miss., Box 12.**

Mrs. A. J. Brown, 127 Myrtle Street, Manchester, N. H., unable to walk for fourteen years, the result of getting chilled in snow drifts the winter of 1888, tries to support herself by selling beautiful book-marks. These are printed on best ribbon in pink, white, blue, lavender, Nile-green, yellow and red. Make first, second and third choice. Poems and quotations are used and are suitable for holidays and birthdays. Prices from 10 cents to 25 cents. You will like them.

Mrs. Sadie M. Gieve, Home, Wash., Box 10 A, is suffering from want of nourishing food, lack of a good bed, warm clothing, etc. She is one who has never asked for a thing from the Sunshiners, and this letter now comes from her physician, stating her case. Mr. Gieve has been sick all winter and they are both old. Any aid sent to this worthy woman means a great deal to them and will be very much appreciated by us. She is a very refined lady and has seen better days. Use to help many who were in distress.

Mrs. M. J. Mattox, Elberton, Ga., North Olive Street, recently fell, hurting her right limb. She is now able to be about with the use of crutches. She is so brave trying to support herself by selling plants which she raises. A friend has let her have the use of a small plot for her flowers. She is not able to stand, but works in the beds while sitting. She has stomach trouble, so needs certain kinds of food, and an order would mean a great deal to her. Write to her for prices and kinds and send stamp for reply.

We wish our Sunshiners would make a notebook and keep the names of shut-ins in it, and look over your list every once in a while, and remember these persons. It would be well to first remember the ones in your own state, then all the others you are able to cheer. It is not our purpose to burden any one, yet the names given from now on will be especially worthy. We wish to say here, if you know of any worthy person who would like a cheery card or letter, send in their name if you have your name on our Sunshine roll, otherwise a reference from a doctor or minister written by them in an intelligent hand is required. No shut-in need ask for help or cheer without the same kind of reference.

We have received word from Mrs. T. C. White, of Pine Bluff, Ark., who was trying to raise funds to get a wheel-chair for Miss Sybel Pharris, of Sheridan, Ark., that friends at that place gave an entertainment to make money for the chair. So Mrs. White took the money from the Journal readers and will buy some spring clothes for the young lady, as she needs them badly. Mrs. White is so grateful to all who so kindly responded to the appeal. She says, "You will never know of the great good you all are doing for the afflicted, the world over." She knows what Sunshine is like, for you readers were so nice to her little son, Bennie, who passed away several months ago. She gives us another case which is very pitiful. The little fellow is about 13 years old, and quit walking on Christmas day. He crawls on hands and knees. The mother is a widow with three other small children. She tries to take in sewing, but it is hard to pay rent and feed five on the small amount she makes. If she had the means perhaps treatments would help him. His name is Wilbur Thomson, 1029 Plum Street, Pine Bluff, Ark.

PASSED AWAY.

Mr. James Walden, of 1116 West 27th Street, Indianapolis, Ind., and Mrs. Sarah Locke, of Broad Ripple, Ind., R. 12, have passed away. Mark their names off your lists.

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THE MISSION IN OKLAHOMA.

Since some of our readers have sent aid to the Bethesda Mission, we felt they would be interested in a letter from Miss Elizabeth Crawford, one of the teachers. You must keep in mind that this Mission is operated by four Christian white women of the Presbyterian and United Presbyterian faith, who are teaching these colored children without one cent of pay. These children's parents were slaves to the Indians, until they were freed at the same time the slaves in the South were freed. They are very ignorant and know nothing of how to make a living. This school is in Wynnewood, Okla.

Miss Crawford says: "Our school moves along in its crowded quarters. How we do need more room! We are planning and expecting, believing we will have another building for the coming year. Not our will, but God's will be done. We are surely under many obligations to you for your timely article, which has brought us over \$15.00 and some papers and a Christmas box from Wisconsin. Last week received a dollar from a Sunshine worker who was sick at Christmas time. We have so much to be thankful for.

"The well-digging goes slow. A man who is digging the well has a daughter in school, and he wanted to do something to pay her way. He is so slow, and has now gone home to start his farming and was to return last week, but as yet has not appeared. Dug down forty-five feet, went through rock, coal and a species of granite. Some indications of water soon. Oh, how happy we would be to have a well of water!

"We have thirty-nine in the family now. Two of our girls are at home and one will return Saturday, and you cannot imagine how we are crowded and how we get enough to cook. Have wished for time to write for your paper, thanking for help received, asking for prayers for the enlargement of work and that God will touch hearts and pocketbooks in the behalf of a new building, which we do need so badly. God has promised to supply our needs from his abundance if we have the faith to trust him fully. Increase our faith is our daily cry. Last night had a little snow; fear the fruit and garden will suffer. Hope not, as so much depends on our garden. My sewing class wants to have some things to sell at close of school to start a building fund.

"Our big boys are putting up the fence, children are enthusiastic over planting seeds, and we hope it will inspire others to have yard fences and some flowers, too."

The above letter came only as a friendly letter to us, but we felt it might be interesting to others who had helped the Mission by sending to Miss Crawford. There are few persons making the sacrifices that these brave women are making. Other missionaries are paid by church boards. If any one is anxious to help in missionary work they could find no better place to help than in sending money for the new building. They teach nearly one hundred children, and forty-one board at the Mission. The building is unplastered, and Miss Crawford says they have plenty of fresh air. Imagine the hardships.

Those who care to help in this cause may send contributions direct to Miss Crawford, Wynnewood, Okla., Bethesda Mission. No one need be afraid, for Miss Crawford is a native of our county and we know her well. They do not teach any denomination, but use the Bible as their text book.

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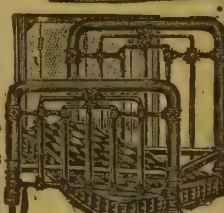
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"Don't sing before breakfast; you'll cry before night!"

What a croak to darken the child's delight!
And the stupid old nurse, again and again,
Repeated the ancient, dull refrain.

The child paused, trying to understand,
But her eyes saw the great world rainbow-spangled;

Her light little feet hardly touched the earth,
And her soul brimmed over with innocent mirth.

"Never mind; don't listen, O sweet little maid!
Make sure of your morning song," I said;
"And if pain must meet you, why, all the more
Be glad of the rapture that came before."

"Oh, tears and sorrows are plenty enough!
Storms may be bitter and paths be rough,
But our tears should fall like the dear Earth's showers,
That help to ripen the fruits and flowers."

"So gladden the day with your blissful song;
Sing on while you may, dear, sweet and strong!
Make sure of your moments of pure delight,
No matter what trials may come before night."
—Celia Thaxter.

Prize salad

One pint of grape juice, three tablespoonfuls of rice, one-fourth teaspoonful of salt, one quart of freshly-roasted peanuts, four tablespoonfuls of grated cream cheese, one-half pint of whipped cream, crisp lettuce. Cook the washed-till-clean rice seven minutes in boiling salted water, drain; cook slowly in grape juice until tender. Cool the rice; grind the nuts; whip the cream. Arrange crisp lettuce hearts on a dainty platter, add the rice and peanuts mixed with the cheese (use cream cheese in foil package). Cover with whipped cream.

Substantial and meatless dish

Make one pint of bean and lentil pulp by soaking and boiling half a pint of dried beans or lentils, then putting them through a potato ricer or colander to remove the skins. Take half a pint of strained, rather thick canned tomato and get all the pulp, but no seeds, through the colander; one pint of nut meal; two raw eggs; one gill of browned flour; one small minced onion; one tablespoonful of minced parsley. Season highly with sage, sweet marjoram, celery salt, pepper and paprika, and add one gill of sweet milk. Mix all thoroughly. Put the mixture into a well-greased baking dish or turk's head; brown in a quick oven, allowing it to be in about twenty minutes. Turn the roast out on a flat meat platter; serve hot, with brown gravy or tomato sauce.

Omelet with apples

Peel and core one quart of tart apples and cut them lengthwise; add two tablespoonfuls of good butter, four tablespoonfuls of sugar and three tablespoonfuls of water. Cover the sauce-pan and cook slowly for fifteen minutes. Stir the apples, but do not break them, and cook for ten minutes more. Remove the nicest pieces to place around the omelet. Break six fresh eggs in a bowl, add two tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar and two tablespoonfuls of hot water. Beat for one minute. Put in a frying pan one tablespoonful of butter, and when the butter is hot pour in the eggs. Let them cook for a minute and turn with a fork until they set. Pour in the hot apples and fold

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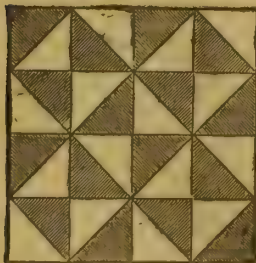


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Apple jelly

For apple jelly, select sound, red, fine-flavored apples, not too ripe, wash, wipe and core. Place in a granite kettle, cover with water and let cook slowly until the apples look red. Pour into a muslin bag and drain; return the juice to a clean kettle and boil for one-half hour, then skim. Now measure and to every pint of juice allow a pound of sugar; boil quickly for ten minutes.

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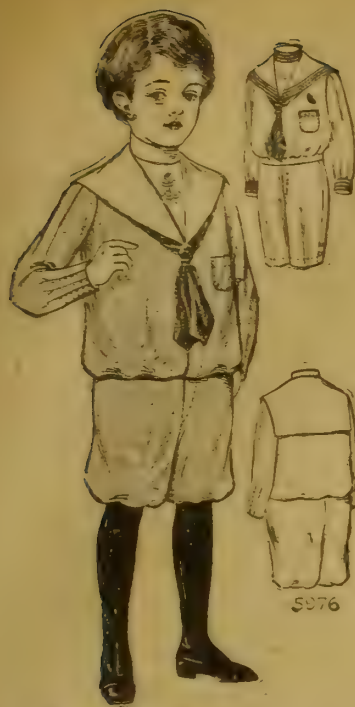
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AN OVERCOAT TRAGEDY

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a smiling mouth; and when she asked for poison for rats, he said, "So!" and beamed mildly upon her.

"I want it very strong," said Eve. "So!" said the druggist.

"But not to give more pain than is necessary nor turn the face black," said Eve.

With a grave face, he compounded a powder and handed it across the counter. Eve took it, handed him the few cents he asked, and walked off. Once at home, she went straight to her room and undressed herself and retired to bed, taking the powder with her. Once or twice she tasted it with the tip of her tongue, hoping that it was not very disagreeable. Then, finding it sweet, she bravely swallowed it.

"It is over," she said. "Oh, heaven forgive me and forgive Tom." And then she laid herself down upon her pillow.

Just as she did so, the familiar sound of a latch key in the door below startled her. Tom never came home at noon, but there he was now. No one else but Tom would walk in in that cool way, and he was calling her.

"Eve, Eve, Eve, where are you?"

Never before had she refused to answer that voice. Why had he come to torture her dying moments? Hark! Now he was bounding up the stairs; he was in the room.

"What is the matter? Are you ill?"

"No," she said, faintly, "only tired."

"Ah, you look tired, little one," said he. "I came home to get the overcoat. I suppose you have found out by this time that the coat in the hall is not mine. I wore Johnson's home from the office last night by mistake; he is anxious to get it. He asked me if there was any one in the house who would be likely to meddle with papers in his pockets. I said that I thought not, I hadn't a jealous wife—Eh! what's the matter, Eve?"

"Oh, Tom," she cried, hysterically. "Oh, say it again! It was not your coat? Oh, Tom, kiss me."

"Why, what's the matter?" cried out Tom. "You must be ill."

Then Eve remembered all.

"I am a wicked woman, Tom. There were letters in the pocket—love letters. I read them. I thought you were false to me. I—I took poison, Tom. I'm going to die, and I long to live so. Oh, Tom, Tom, save me!"

"Yes, yes," he cried. "Oh, good heaven! What poison?"

"Hoffman will know. I bought it of him. Perhaps he can save me," cried Eve.

Away went Tom, white as death, to the druggist around the corner. He burst into the shop like a whirlwind.

"The lady," he gasped, "the lady who bought poison here an hour ago! She took it by mistake. Can you save her? Is there an antidote? She is dying!"

"No, no," said the old German. "Be calm, be at rest. No, no, she cannot die of dat. When a lady asks me for poison dat will not turn a rat black in the face, I say to myself, 'So!' I shmells somesings, and I give her in de paper a little sugar and somesings. She could take a pound. Go home and tell her so. I never sells poisons to womens dat cry and do not wish de rat to become black in de face. So, be calm."

So Tom flew home again, and Eve rejoiced, and hearing that Johnson was a bachelor who admitted himself to be engaged, she did not rip off the patch, as she had at first intended to do.

USELESS KNOWLEDGE.

He knew about medicine, science and law; He knew how to manage his wife and her "ma"; He understands Latin, and German, and Greek, And wise men would listen whenever he'd speak. He wrote editorials, jokes, and whatever He chose to; and all of his writings were clever; But when Willie asked him why this or that was,

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—Charles H. Meiers.

THE POINT OF VIEW.

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"But will you accept them as a present?"

"I could na," said the Scot.

"Well, then," said the traveler, "suppose I sell you the cigars for a nominal sum—say six pence?"

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—Puzzler, Tennessee.

No. 2—JUMBLED CITIES

The first letter of each gives the name of a city in the state of Washington.
1. Retontn. 2. Gatusau. 3. Hicogca. 4. Mhaoa. 5. Dorearm.
—Mabel Bloom, Washington.

No. 3—BEHEADMENTS

Behead an article of furniture and leave an exclamation.
Behead a girl's name and leave a boy's name.
Behead an article of furniture and leave a boy's name.
Behead a kind of timepiece and leave a fastening for a door.
—Leona M. Spragg, Iowa.

No. 4—WORD HUNT

Answers found in St. Valentine's Day.
1. To discern. 2. An herb. 3. A large tank. 4. A continent. 5. To dwell. 6. Destruction. 7. A number. 8. A current. 9. A vine. 10. To produce clear profit. 11. Smooth. 12. A fruit. 13. A conjunction. 14. Consenting.
—Miss Emma A. Ford, Illinois.

No. 5—SYNCOPATIONS

Synecopate "moisture falling in drops" and leave "did run."
Synecopate "a long piece of wood" and leave "the name of a famous writer."
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Synecopate "a vale" and leave "a strong drink."
Synecopate "a timber" and leave "a fossil gun."
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ANSWERS TO MARCH PUZZLES

No. 1—

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Watching the moonbeams hither play
On a keg that in the bushes lay,
And the leaves with their rustle took up the song,
Thou lurest the brave, thou rulest the strong,
To thee doth result of great battles belong,
John Barleycorn, my king.

No. 2—Gulf of Mexico. Fox. Mice.

No. 3—

H A K O T E
A B O R A N E
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No. 4—

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Second best list, Mrs. B. F. Grisham, Newbern, Dyer County, Tenn.

Third best list, Mrs. C. D. Reed, 1105 North Fifth Street, Springfield, Ill.

Best batch of original puzzles, Miss Isabelle Britney, North Colony street, Meriden, Conn.

Second best list, Miss Dixie Lane, 301 South Brewer, Paris, Tenn.

Third best list, Mrs. Josephine H. Lombard, 61 South Gifford street, Elgin, Ill.

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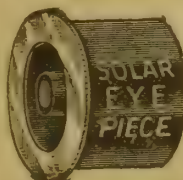
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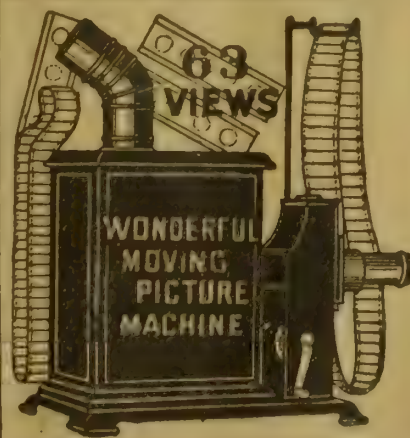
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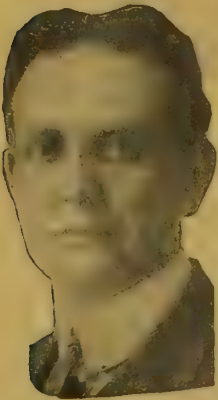
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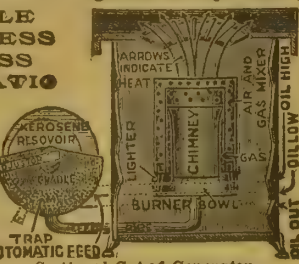
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Talks with Our Readers

Our Dollar Sign (\$) Contest Our May number announced that this contest would be open until May 31st. And as this June number goes to press May 15th, we will not be able to publish the names of the winners of the prizes until the issue for July. We are very much gratified by the way our readers have shown interest in this contest, as is evidenced by the very great numbers of responses that have come to us from all over the country. Watch the July number for the list of successful contestants.

Our National Constitution Yes, the women of America are interested in the National Constitution. More than one hundred years ago it was promulgated for the government of these United States, and but few amendments have been made to it in that time. Just at the present time there are two amendments proposed, in both of which the women of our country are very much interested.

One of the changes proposed gives to women equal privileges with men in voting. While its adoption will effect a most radical change in the National Constitution, its consideration is now calmly and soberly entered upon, in striking contrast with the shock that the proposition would have created only a few years ago.

The other amendment proposes to enact nation-wide prohibition. The anti-saloon sentiment has been growing so rapidly in recent years that the temperance forces believe the time has arrived when the National Constitution should prohibit the manufacture and sale of spirituous liquors.

Both of the above propositions are now before Congress.

June, the Month of Lovely Roses and Lovelier Brides It is the month of beauty and abundance. Now is the time when we may best enjoy our rich inheritance—"the earth and the fullness thereof." The full measure of our gifts is "pressed down and running over." There is not a wrinkle on Nature's perfect and smiling face; not a leaf or blade of grass shows sign of "fag" by hint of tint or droop; the sunshine, perhaps intense, has that vital life principle which penetrates and revivifies the forces, rays that are good for everything that lives—lost later when they sear, enervate and blight.

There is a point in Nature when freshness and promise meet ripeness and fulfillment. Such is June, like maidenhood merged into womanhood, youth still upon her—typified by the perfect rose, symbol of both. Much can be said of June practically or poetically, whether one regard it from the standpoint of its repute as the month of happiest marriages, or the poet's month.

No brighter, happier season can be selected for a wedding than this lovely month of roses, and we are sure that all of our many thousands of readers will unite with us in wishing that the sweet perfume of roses and the soft breezes of June may follow the lives of the fair young brides whose weddings will brighten this month.

Good Words for Our Magazine

Modesty has never permitted us to speak so highly of our paper as does an enthusiastic California subscriber in expressing her appreciation in this letter, just received: "There are no words with which I could express my appreciation of The Household Journal and Floral Life. Each copy seems better and sweeter to me and I enjoy them immensely. I have just devoured the lovely contents of the April number, received today. I am an ardent lover of flowers and have a beautiful cottage home with a rose court and have lovely flowers the year round. One would have to live here to fully appreciate this lovely climate. I should like to tell you more of my beautiful flowers, but it would seem that I were boasting. Thanking you over and over again for your valuable information in flower culture. Long live The Household Journal and Floral Life."—Mrs. L. D. K., Los Angeles, Cal.

LOVE'S DREAM RUDELY SHATTERED

By HAROLD BENSON WHITE

The Trustful Love of a Sweet Young Lassie Cruelly Betrayed by Her Heartless Lover

SOME years ago there sat, one afternoon, in the parlor of a Devon farm house, a middle-aged man and a girl of about twenty, engaged in earnest talk.

The walls of the room were low, and some heavy oak beams across the ceiling made it lower. The room looked comfortable, and although all the furniture had seen service, the woodwork shone with the polish of daily use, and the chintz coverings of the sofa and chairs were 'spotlessly clean. A few prints in black frames hung on the walls; the open door of a corner cupboard showed that it was full of old china, and a long, low glass was over the fireplace. A bowl filled with roses stood on the table—semi-single white roses, with golden eyes, smelling so sweetly and looking so pure—roses of the past, for they are only to be seen now in a few, old-fashioned country gardens.

The young girl, Mary Abbott, looked as fresh and as sweet as did the roses. A letter lay in her lap, and every now and then she nervously unfolded and folded it again, while she talked. There was a timid expression in her sweet face, but her low, broad forehead, square brows, and well-formed mouth, indicated latent strength of will.

Her companion sat by the open window, looking into the pretty little garden, gay just now with pansies and sweet williams. He was frowning, and the expression on his sunburnt face showed that he differed from the girl.

"You are very headstrong, Mary," he said.

She looked at him sweetly.

"I'm sorry I can't do as you wish, uncle. I made a promise to Willie, and I must keep it, whatever happens. Don't fear for me." The color flew into her cheeks, and a lovely light shone in her deep, gray eyes. "I have such trust in him—why, the very feeling that I am going to meet him will keep me up in any trials that may happen on the way."

"And I say," her companion said, doggedly, "what I said before: Somerfield ought not to expect you to go out to him. If he's as well off as he states, let him come and fetch you. You promised to go out to New York; he's a long way from New York now, and to my thinking, this

change of place frees you from any promise you may have made."

"Ah! but uncle, my promise was to go when he sent for me," she said, simply.

"Well, there's no use in arguing. I'm thinking of all you'll have to go through; but that you can't even guess at. It's ignorance makes you brave, my dear. If you would but trust me—"

She interrupted him:

"It's no use talking, uncle; my mind is made up. I promise you I'll never leave dear Aunt Martha while she lives, and I hope she may be spared to us for some years yet; so you see there's no use in talking any more about it. I may not have to go to Willie for a long while."

"Well, I hope before the time comes he'll have tired of waiting," her uncle said to himself. He said to Mary:

"Has the doctor been here today?"

United States. His idea was that his son would soon grow discontented, and come back cured of his roving fancies.

At first the young man's letters praised everything he saw, but gave little hope that he would earn his own living. His father said, "Willie will be home before six months are out."

But by the time the six months ended, Somerfield's letters had gradually changed. He wrote that his luck had taken a turn; he had left New York, and had gone into partnership with several friends of his. At the year's end he wrote:

"We are doing a roaring trade; in fact, we are making money as fast as it can be made. In a few years I shall be a rich man."

But he made no answer to his father's question as to the nature of the business he was engaged in.

To Mary Abbott he wrote about his success in the same effusive style.

"I am looking forward," he wrote, "to having my dear little wife soon in the comfortable home I have got for her."

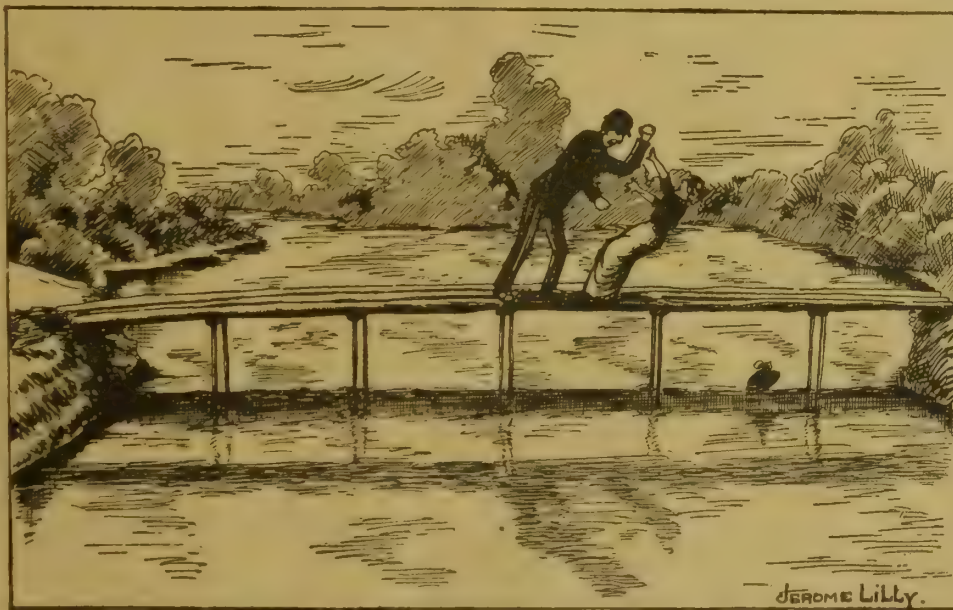
In this last letter, which had created the dispute between Mary and her uncle, he urged her more strongly.

"I wish, my darling," the letter said, "that you would come to me at once. I am quite ready for you,

but I know you won't leave your aunt while she lives. Perhaps it is wiser not to do so. Don't misunderstand me, my dear, when I say, remembering how delicate and ailing your aunt is, I feel the happy time can't be far off when I shall hold my darling Mary in my arms again. No disrespect to the old lady, be sure of that—far from it—but in course of nature it must be as I say. I hope my Mary will come to me the moment she is free. She cannot come too soon for her loving and devoted

"WILLIE."

That part of the letter relating to her aunt had given the girl much pain. It seemed to her "cruel and unfeeling when he knows how dearly I love aunt;" and then her love found an excuse for him. "It is his love for me," she thought, "his wish to see me that makes him selfish. I cannot expect him to love dear aunt as I do, and, indeed, she was never very kind to poor Willie."



He pushes her from the bridge, there is a despairing cry, a splash, and the dark water closes over her

"No; but I'm expecting him."

"He tells me he has a bad opinion of my poor sister's chance. Well, my dear, I must be going home. Think over what I've said; I'll look in tomorrow and hear what the doctor says."

He took his departure, and the young girl went upstairs to her patient. She felt very sad. Her position was a painful one. She wished to keep her aunt, and yet she longed to be with her lover.

More than a year ago, Mary Abbott's promised husband, the son of a neighboring farmer, had found himself unable to settle down to an agricultural life, and had gone to seek his fortune in America. He went, against the wish of his sweetheart and the advice of his friends; but his father, seeing how unsettled his son was, and how bent he was on going, at last consented, and gave him money for his passage, and promised to send out sufficient funds for a short stay in the

Ten days after the talk between Mary Abbott and her uncle, Aunt Martha died. On her will being read, it was found that, with the exception of a few trifling legacies to her brother John and to others, she had left her savings to her dear niece, Mary Abbott, who had been as a daughter to her. She left her, also, some silver plate, and her furniture and other effects. The sum of money left was nearly three hundred pounds.

Mary wrote to her lover a few days after her aunt's loss. She was very full of grief.

"Now my dearest aunt is gone, I am very desolate. I have only you to care for me."

As soon as the will had been read, she wrote again to tell her lover of her good fortune. She asked his advice about it. The first sorrow for her aunt was over, and her letter was full of love. She told Somerfield she was ready to go to him if he wished it, and to follow his advice in all things. Her cheeks glowed, and her sweet eyes had grown liquid as she wrote.

This letter had only been gone a fortnight, when she received her lover's answer to the announcement of her aunt's death. After a few words of condolence:

"Now, my darling," he wrote, "you will fly to me as soon as you have settled your affairs. I am transported with delight at the idea of seeing you. I feel sure that your aunt has left you all she had. Send me particulars forthwith, and I will then tell you what to do. Things are different over here; gold is more useful than bank notes, and any other property should, without loss of time, be turned into cash."

Mary put down the letter. She felt disgusted. It seemed to her that Willie showed too much keenness after money, but her love soon excused him, and she went on reading the loving words which ended the letter.

"He's in business now," she thought, "and I believe business men get to think that making money and investing it is the one aim in life. It is no wonder that companionship with men of that sort has made my darling more worldly. Never mind, he'll soon get all right when he has me with him." Her cheeks flushed with delight at the thought of the happy life that lay before her.

Somerfield answered her second letter by next mail. He congratulated her on her good luck, which, he said, was better than he had expected. "You have got

quite a nice little nest egg," he said; "I hadn't any notion the old lady was so warm. Turn everything into cash," he went on, "and bring it over here as much as you can in gold. You had best carry it in a small bag, which you must not lose sight of. I am longing to see you, my dear, and I should like you to start by the next steamer from Liverpool. Write and tell me the name of the vessel as soon as you have taken your passage. I shall be waiting for you in New York, and as soon as we are married I will take you to the dear little home I have ready for you, my own Mary. I hope you will be pleased with it, darling. How proud I shall be to see you in it, my own dear, little wife."

This part of the letter touched the girl so strongly that she was not disposed to find fault with the beginning. Somerfield ended by repeating his instructions about the money.

"You must not listen to the lawyer chap, or to anybody. I am on the spot,

up her mind, he said no more about it. "There's no more use in arguing with a girl in love, than there would be in trying to get milk out of a flint," he said to himself.

Mary's preparations were soon completed, and when she had written to tell her lover the name of the steamer and the date fixed for starting, she said farewell to her friends, and set off for Liverpool.

PART II.

The voyage passed pleasantly. Mary proved herself an excellent sailor, and greatly enjoyed her sea experience.

She found, too, a pleasant friend in the captain of the steamer, who was, by good luck, a Devon man, and to whose care her uncle had especially commended her—for Uncle John had relented, and proving himself better in deed than in word, had gone with her to Liverpool, and seen her safe on board.

The girl's good looks, her sweet ways, and unprotected position, made the captain take a great interest in her. He was double her age, and though at first Mary was shy and reticent, she soon began to feel confidence in him, and one day she told him her story yet more fully than her uncle had done.

The captain shook his head, and he looked grave. He did not like her lover's plan of taking her at once from New York into the interior.

"My dear young lady," he said, "you must excuse my plain speaking, but I don't like Mr. Somerfield's plan. I have heard no good of that part of the country; 'tis a

wild, uncivilized part—by no means fit for a delicate young woman; 'tis only fit for men who are out seeking their fortunes, and who don't mind rough living."

"Ah! but, sir," she answered, quickly, "you forget that I have a dear little home waiting for me."

The captain shrugged his shoulders.

"That all looks pretty on paper, my dear—excuse the liberty of calling you so—and I don't doubt it from that point; but I've heard several queer stories from those parts, and I fancy those that go there are not to be envied."

"I'm sure Mr. Somerfield would not want to take me where I shall not be comfortable and happy," Mary tossed her pretty head. "I don't mind roughing it a bit, so long as—as—" she stopped, blushing like a rose.

"So long's as he's with you. I understand," the captain laughed. "Quite right and proper, no doubt; still, human nature



"Hold your jaw, every one; I have the swag safe; let them laugh who win."

and I must know best how you should manage."

Mary, however, found herself obliged to consult the "lawyer chap" of the neighboring town. She was of age, and the money had been left entirely to her; there was no one who could interfere with her disposal of it. The farm stock and furniture were disposed of, and by the time all was settled, Mary found that she possessed nearly four hundred pounds.

Her uncle had renewed his opposition to her departure, but Mary would not listen to him. The lawyer disapproved her plan of taking out her little fortune to the states, and suggested a safe plan of investment; but Mary shook her head.

"I am bound to follow out Mr. Somerfield's advice," she said; "he must have good reasons for giving it."

The lawyer smiled; but he was wiser than Uncle John. He gave her his opinion, and then seeing that she had made

is human nature, and we mustn't put too big a strain on it."

Mary pressed her lips closely, and shook her head.

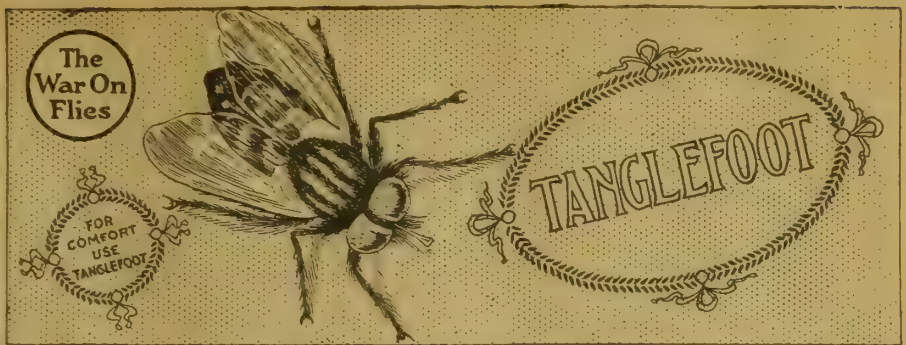
"I'm not afraid, sir. I'm not so delicate as I look, and I've done plenty of work in my time, and if needful, why, I can do it again."

The captain's eyes were full of deep admiration, as he answered:

"That I'd take my oath on, my dear girl. It's you delicate ones that have the pluck; you'll go till you drop. I know, bless you; but all the same, a man oughtn't to put it on you to rough it."

At this she pouted a little, and turned away from her kind friend. She thought he meant well, but—"Well, he presumes on my confidences; I've been too open perhaps." Then she sighed softly to herself—"Bother the men, they are all alike. Talk of women being sipteful, indeed; I'm sure men have been horridly mean about my Willie. Well, the best excuse for this one is that he's never seen him, so how can he judge?"

By the time she had taken two turns up



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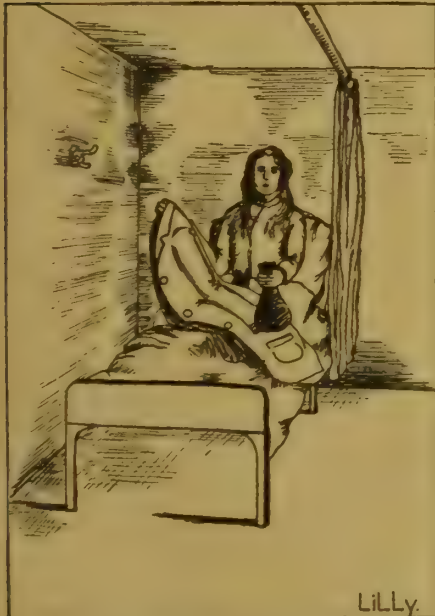
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Lilly.

She thrust her hand into one of the pockets and drew forth her money, given by the Captain to Somerfield

and down, the captain was beside her again.

"Beg pardon, Miss Abbott," he said, "but we shall soon be in sight of the harbor, and I want to talk to you about that precious bag."

By her uncle's advice, Mary had given her treasure into the captain's charge, and he had told her it was safe in his cabin.

"Keep it, captain," she said, "till you give it up to Mr. Somerfield, along with me."

He smiled. "I like to see your confidence, but still, things happen which no one can guard against. Something might delay your friend a day or so"—then, as he saw her sweet face sadden at his words, he added, "although I don't doubt but what he's in New York waiting for you by this time. Still, it may not be so, specially as our passage has been a short one."

"Well," Mary said.

"I'm coming to that." The captain was amused by her impatience. "It's just possible you'll have to stay at a hotel till he

arrives, and in that case I advise you to take out, before we land, some money for expenses, and I'll give the bag in charge of the landlord where you lodge."

"I know Willie will be waiting for me," Mary said, but she saw the reasonableness of this advice, and, after a few more words, she went with the captain to his cabin and took out a sufficient sum to provide for several days' stay in New York. She did this in simple obedience. "But I'm sure I sha'n't want it," she said. It seemed to her impossible that her Willie could fail to keep his tryst.

Very early next morning, before the passengers had left their berths, Mary learned that they were in the harbor.

It seemed to her as if she were in a dream. She got up and dressed herself mechanically. She could not touch her breakfast. It did not matter to her what the captain had said. She knew that she should see Willie waiting for her.

The captain felt a pressure on his arm as he stood saying "good-by" to his passengers. Mary was beside him, her soft eyes filled with happy light, while a flower-like color dyed each cheek. There was no need to tell the captain what she saw, but following the direction of her eyes, he singled out of the crowd on shore, around the gangway, a tall young fellow waving his hat, and thus showing a handsome head covered with rich red chestnut curls. The eyes looked red, too, but they were smiling till they narrowed to a line between the young man's black eyelashes.

"I see him," the captain said. "Anyway," he thought, "he's a fine-looking chap enough, though a bit devil-may-careish, and there's no mistake that he's glad to see her. All right, my dear girl, keep close to me, and in a few minutes your sweetheart can come aboard."

Mary stood quietly beside the captain, but her pulses were leaping with excitement, though it seemed still to her that it was all a dream, and that when her lover, who looked to her more beautiful than

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ever, came on board, she should waken suddenly to find herself still expecting him.

PART III.

The bright promise of the morning had faded into a gloomy afternoon, when the train, after a long interval, once more stops, and her lover hands Mary out of it.

As the girl looks around her, she thinks this is surely the wildest, most lonely place she has ever seen. It looks like a vast clearing made for this out-of-the-world station; tree stumps show here and there on the waste, and in front is a dark horizon of forest. Behind lies the lofty ridge of hills, out of which the train has emerged, and on the right is another hill with a tunnel below, towards which the train they have quitted is already on its way.

Hours had passed since Mary said "good-by" to her friend, the captain, and yet she feels still as if she were dreaming. She walks on beside her lover. The road is so rough that she fancies it can only be half made, and she stumbles more than once over stones or huge lumps of earth. She looks up at her tall, handsome lover. Surely she ought to feel very happy—her longing wish is fulfilled—and yet she cannot shake off the disappointment he has caused her. His letter had said they were to be married as soon as she landed, and that he would then take

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CARNATION THE FAVORITE.

Of all the flowers, I have selected the beautiful and popular carnation for my most successful flower. They should be given good care and in the hot, dry weather should be watered twice each day, but not while the sun is extremely hot, say in the morning before sunrise, and in the evening after sunset. Add a little sheep manure, soaked in water for a half day, then take this water and pour it on the lower portion of the plant. This will give the flowers a strong and healthy green color. I kept this flower blooming for one year around, monthly. In winter I take it in the house and place it by the window, to get plenty of sunshine. In this way I have grown beautiful flowers and had most success.—Gertrude Mende, Maryland.

NASTURTIUMS.

I have the best success in growing nasturtiums. I have a long bed in the front yard, about fifteen feet long and four feet wide, that I sow the seed around. In the fall I dig this up and mix a little fertilizer with it, and let lay until spring, the middle of March, then I dig up again and pulverize the soil, then sow the seed about one and one-half inches deep. I then cover with boards and let lay until they are through the ground, then remove the board and let be until they get about four or five inches high. Then I take an old fork and dig around them every week, also pull all weeds out until they begin to bloom, which is about the middle of May. Then I let be unless it is very dry, when I water once a week.

They bloom from the middle of May until the frost cuts them down, which is the last of October or November. I do all of this on twenty-five cents' worth of seed bought at the wholesale feed store. Every one says my nasturtiums are just beautiful. I cut from four to six bouquets every day off of this amount of seed.—Hazel G. Cone, Ohio.

GROWING PANSIES.

What is more pleasing to the tired eye than a beautiful bed of rainbow-tinted pansies? Pansies, "the thought-flowers," are easily grown, yet always in demand. They are so unobtrusive, coming early and late, seemingly to fill our gardens with beauty after the more showy flowers are gone.

In my experience, earliest spring seedlings produce the beautiful fall flowers; also, if slightly protected, will make excellent spring bloomers.

Select a rather sheltered, shady, damp place for your pansy bed. Fertilize the ground thoroughly, for ground never gets too rich for pansy culture. The richer your ground the more abundant the foliage and flowers, also the pansies will have longer stems and be handier to use as cut flowers. You should have your seed bed prepared in the fall if possible, then sow your seeds either broadcast or in

drills as soon as the ground is warm in the spring. Cover slightly with dirt and keep the ground moist until the seeds germinate. When the plants have started nicely transplant to about fourteen inches apart.

Be sure to transplant into a fertile bed in a rather shady place, not too shady, only slightly protected from the noonday sun. When the first buds appear pinch them out; do not let them blossom until the stalks are well started. If buds are pinched out through the summer months the blooms will be very beautiful in the fall and will blossom continually until covered with snow.

In the fall cover your pansies with fertilizer, also lightly with litter, to catch the snow and prevent their freezing out.

One of the most pleasing things about pansies is that the more you take of their blossoms the more they will furnish for you.

By planting different varieties close together they will cross and the seeds will produce entirely new kinds.—Mrs. Gladys Strawderman, Indiana.

BEST SUCCESS WITH BULBS.

I have had success in growing all flowers I have ever planted, and I have planted a great many. But I think I have had the best success with flowers of the bulb family, such as hyacinths, tulips, freesias, etc., and I accomplished a wealth of blossoms and fragrance, and a lasting memory of the same. I divided blossoms with the sick and the well, and had an abundance of pleasure from them.

I procured some quart tomato cans and placed a couple of bits of broken crockery in the bottom (after first making some holes), then filled half full of good garden soil and the rest of sand and rich loam mixed, then placed two or three bulbs of tulips or hyacinths in the center of the can, pressed the soil firmly around them, then covered the top with a thin layer of soil, watered, then put in a dark place (a cellar if you have one), and leave for twenty days except to see that they do not dry out, but do not water too often, and gradually bring to the light, but never place them in the sunshine. The "freesias and giant sacred lily" I treated the same way, except to plant the bulbs in a long, shallow box two or three rows deep.—Mrs. D. S. Main, Illinois.

MY MOST SUCCESSFUL FLOWER.

I have forty-five varieties of roses—fourteen of them climbers—growing next the wall of our brick house, which faces south. Others are mainly in front of these, but some on the east, north and west sides. All are two to seven years old, planted fifteen to eighteen inches deep. The soil is well firmed on the roots, but kept loose on the surface. Absolutely no weeds allowed. Cut off all faded blooms.

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roses, with plenty of rotted cow compost heaped around them for winter protection, and spaded under in the spring. After hot days sprinkle evenings with the hose. Soak the roots weekly (in blooming time) with laundry suds, and occasionally with weak liquid manure (I use old sheep or chicken manure). In late fall cut away all dead, weak and cross-growing wood, leaving strongest canes and laterals, which top in one-third. Climbers less. In February again remove all dead and superfluous branches.

Aphids attack only tender shoots in early spring. Crush them by hand. Shake off and stamp them into the ground. After spraying, pepper with cayenne. All insects succumb to that (my discovery). I eradicated cabbage lice and black lice on chrysanthemums and young trees with one thorough application.

I cut stems long—Testouts and Bruners averaging twenty to thirty-two inches—regardless of sacrificing buds.

We have loads of glorious buds and blooms all summer. November 27, 1913, we cut a fine bunch for Thanksgiving.—Mrs. Inez E. Parker, Oregon.

AQUILEGIA OR COLUMBINE.

I have been successful with a great many flowers, but have taken much interest in growing columbine. The first I ever remember seeing was the old blue columbine grown by a neighbor. She gave me several plants which had "come up volunteer" from seed around the parent plant. On moving to our new home, I brought several plants and was surprised to find among the number a pure white, also one kind of chocolate color. Then I got plants of the native red and yellow and had quite a variety.

My cousin from Colorado sent me seed of Rocky Mountain columbine, which bloomed the second year from sowing. I also sent for seed of chrysanthemum and a package of American long-spurred hybrids. Now I have a large variety and find them of easy culture.

The seed were sown in a box of sandy loam and when the plants had four or five leaves they were transplanted to permanent quarters. They should be set at least six inches apart and will grow in almost any situation. They are fine to grow in shrubbery, where they will get some sun, but will also grow in shade, except the Coerulea, which prefers an open sunny place. There is a large variety to select from, but if you have several to start with, in a few years you will have many colors. An English florist has produced a strain of many delicate colors. My preference is the long-spurred variety.—Chas. C. Rhoads, Illinois.

SUCCESS WITH ZINNIAS.

Although but an amateur gardener, I have had splendid success growing zinnias. These popular flowers are found in almost every garden, yet I have seldom seen zinnias excelling those grown in my yard last summer.

About the twentieth of May the seeds were planted broadcast in a soil composed of a mixture of loam and clay, on the west side of the house, where the sun shines about three-fourths of the day. They were then raked over and watered.

When the seedlings became large enough to be distinguished from the weeds, the latter were carefully removed. From then the bed was kept clear of them and watered every evening at sunset. About once every month it was watered with manure water. On very hot days



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it was given a mulch of grass clippings. Otherwise the plants were given no special care except to loosen the ground about the roots occasionally.

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—I. G. Steele, New York.

PREPARING FOR FLOWERS.

March and April are the months for preparation in the flower garden, success depending, of course, on locality. Probably one of the most common mistakes we are apt to make in floriculture is planting too early. Indeed, so common is this error, especially with seeds, that many prominent seedsmen are in the habit of printing a warning in their catalogues. Oftentimes the only result of too early planting is delay in the germination of the seed, but more frequently the seeds rot and are a total loss.

On the other hand, the preparation of the soil cannot be begun too soon after the frost is out of the ground. By this we mean, start the work early in the turning of the soil. Work it over with whatever fertilizer is used, then work it over again and again, for you can scarcely have the soil too mellow. Hon. Marshall P. Wilder, who did so much for pomology in this country, when asked what culture he would give a young tree, replied, in substance, that he would first stir the soil about it, then he would stir the soil again, and then he would again stir the soil. His meaning was clear, and it may be applied to the soil previous to planting as well as afterward. It is especially desirable, this stirring of the soil, when seeds or young and tender plants are to go into it.

We have advised in previous issues that certain seeds be started in the house, mainly because they can be better cared for than when sown directly in the open ground.

Noting the above, we will see that little is gained in sowing seeds of flowering plants or setting the plants themselves in the open ground until the weather is settled and the soil warm and in a proper condition to encourage the germination of the seed and the growth of the delicate roots.

Bedding plants which are quite hardy, like carnations and geraniums, may be set out much earlier than plants like coleus, which are tender and were grown under glass in a high temperature.

A few things, like sweet-pea seeds, may be sown as early as the ground can be worked to advantage, for considerable moisture and some frost will not injure them.

Whatever is used as fertilizer should be well incorporated with the soil before seed is sown or plants set. Stable manure is often the only thing which can be obtained in the country for this purpose, and when used it should be as free from straw and coarse material as it is possible to make it; it should also be made as fine as possible before being placed in the soil. After working it into the soil, let the bed stand for a few days before smoothing it over and giving it the final form preparatory to planting.

GROWING CANNAS.

If people knew how easily cannas are grown there would be many more raised, I am sure. Many complain of the difficulty in wintering cannas, but a warm cellar not too dry will usually carry them through all right. I have also wintered them successfully in a warm attic not far from a stove pipe, which kept an even temperature.

In the fall I try to get my cannas up before they are badly frosted, as I think they winter better and have stronger roots if the tops do not have to be cut off. I take them up with a large amount of dirt and place them on the floor not far from the furnace, and last year I did not lose one. In April I found them sprouting nicely, and when the ground was warm, about the tenth of May in Colorado, I set them in a circular bed.

Cannas require a deep, rich soil, thorough cultivation, and plenty of water. They are as easy to grow as potatoes and multiply so rapidly one soon has more plants than they can use. A canna bed with a border of salvia makes a beauty spot not soon forgotten, and very little labor is required to keep it in a good condition.—Margaret M. Mann, Colorado.

SWEET PEAS IN THE SOUTH.

These are the flowers I have the most success in growing. I can cut hundreds of gorgeous blooms from a short row from the first of May until hot sun puts an end to them. They make ideal cut flowers, having stems fifteen to eighteen inches long.

I always prepare the trench the first of November if the ground is suitable. I dig it two feet deep and fill it half full of decomposed cow manure, then fill in with soil to about five inches from the top. I spade it together to get the manure and soil well incorporated, sprinkle down and wait until the ground is dry enough to plant the seed. I never wait longer than November 20th for best results. I sow the seed thickly in double rows three inches deep, leaving the trench open to be filled as the plants grow.

When they need support, I stretch a five-foot poultry wire.

They require no watering in winter, but must be soaked at least once a week in the spring and summer.

By keeping the blooms picked off and following these directions, any one can have lovely peas. They need no protection from cold here in South Carolina.—Lucile Burkhalter, South Carolina.

CLEMATIS.

Of all our beautiful climbers, the clematis is my favorite. Good young plants are rather more expensive than most plants, but when once established, their growth is so thrifty and they bloom so luxuriantly one can well afford to plant them freely where shade and wealth of bloom is desired. The Jackmanii (deep royal purple) is preferred by many to the other varieties, and if one can have but one kind, doubtless this is the best. The Duchess of Edinburgh is a white one of rare beauty, and the Paniculata is a late hardy variety, with small white flowers, that looks like a veritable "bank of snow" when in bloom. The varieties are all called hardy, but we have best success by taking the vines down from the trellis in late autumn, clipping the branches back to about a foot and a half in length, and then covering them with a liberal mulching of half-rotted manure.—Mrs. Ella F. Flanders.

Floral Problems

Conducted by R. McGregor

[Our readers are privileged to avail themselves of the knowledge acquired by Mr. McGregor in his many years of experience as an enthusiastic florist. Whatever may be your trials or troubles in the flower line, write us, and he will gladly assist you. Send two-cent stamp if you desire reply by mail.—Editor.]

Begonia Gloria de Lucerne—Miss Henrietta Guppy, Maine—The variety of begonia of which you sent leaf and flower will be found catalogued under the above name. It makes a beautiful plant, is of comparatively easy culture, and produces clusters of bloom. It is not as common with the florists as it was a few years ago, as begonias of the type of Florie de Lorraine have taken the place of many other flowering sorts.

Aphis—Mrs. N. W. Faucett, North Carolina—The tobacco water which you have been using for aphis is generally effective, but the best all-round, inexpensive remedy and generally certain in its results is pyrethrum powder, which you can secure from your druggist. Dust off the plant with a small powder bellows, which takes care of the little flying insects as well as the crawling, chewing and sucking kinds, and for general use, without knowing exactly what is to be treated, there is hardly anything that will excel it.

Small Sprayer—Grace Reck, Pennsylvania—The writer has turned your inquiry for a small sprayer for applying the lime-sulphur solution over to one of the catalogue seedsmen and florists, and they will be glad to communicate with you, offering a small sprayer which is generally sold at about 75 cents. It can be mailed by parcel post for an additional charge of about 25 cents. A sprayer of this style is well worth the price and should be in the hands of all amateurs who wish to secure the best results from even small plantings, as it gives an easy way for prevention of insects and diseases as well as controlling them when they appear.

Geraniums, etc.—Mrs. M. Mathewson, Canada—The department is glad to hear from those so interested in flowers. It would really take, however, more than the space of this department to reply fully to your several general inquiries, and the writer thinks it best to send you from his files a number of circulars which will give full cultural directions for fuchsias, geraniums, etc. Referring to the one inquiry in particular about geraniums, would say that you probably have been too anxious to secure results and the fertilizer you have been giving is not what the geraniums need at all; rather they should have an ordinary good garden soil free from fertilizer, kept rather on the dry side, with plenty of light and sun and not too warm a temperature.

Impatiens Sultana—Mrs. Corda M. Hoaglan, Indiana—The clipping which you send from the impatiens does not allow the writer to diagnose the trouble with the plant. It is more than likely there is no trouble with the soil, but that the plant is troubled with insects, although the reverse might be the case. Are you giving the plant a warm location, a light sandy soil and plenty of water? If you are doing this you are supplying the general favorable conditions and the trouble must lie somewhere else. If you are following these general rules for care of the plant and there are no insects visible, it might be that the plants are of bad constitution and diseased in some way, and much more would be gained by buying new plants, which can be secured by paying the small amount of 10 or 15 cents each, and in many of the new forms of colors.

Worms in the Soil—Mrs. James D. McLachlan, Michigan—The piece of leaf which you enclose for examination does not indicate altogether to be a bad condition of the soil, as might be attributed to soil affected by worms. The writer has experimented with a number of insecticides and preparations that have been on the market and there has been only one that seems to do the work. It will be found in catalogues listed as "Worm Eradicator" or "Worm Exterminator." It is a liquid and sells for 25 cents to 75 cents. The full directions come with the liquid and the writer has found it quite effective. Stirring tobacco dust in the soil is a good preventive for worms and other small insects that live and work about the roots of the plant. The writer just received a sample of a new "Worm Killer" and is sending you a small package by mail, with directions for its use, and the department would be glad to hear from you after giving it a trial. The powder is to be preferred to the liquid, as it is much more simple to handle.

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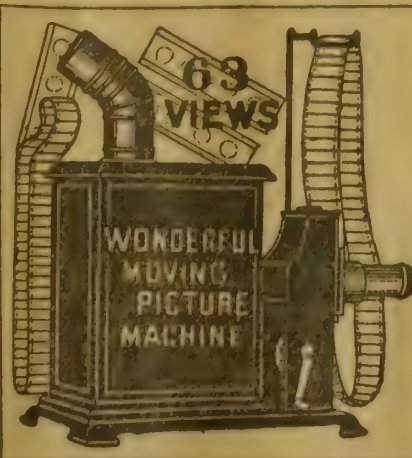
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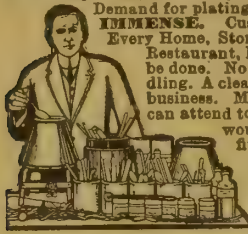
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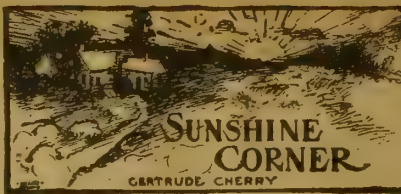
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THE GARDEN OF GOD.

By Heneretta Flint Simmerman

A little girl planted a garden for God,
Sweet peas and poppies red,
Narcissus, violets and sweet mignonette;
"They're all for the Lord," she said.

"He will send the rain and sunshine bright
To make the dear things grow,
And when they blossom, I'll give them all
To unhappy people I know.

"A bright bunch each day to the hospital,
To soothe the sick and sad,
And some to the children on the streets,
I want to make every one glad.

"And some to God's house on the Sabbath day,
Some to the jail I'll send;
Violets to the dear Old Ladies' Home,
Their sweetness and perfume to lend."

And so as the rain and warm sunshine came,
This child with flowers trod,
With ever a smile and a blossom bright,
From her beautiful garden of God.

Dear friends, just a few words this month, as our paper through the summer is never so large as in winter. But we are going to ask our members now to do all you can to help spread Sunshine the rest of the year. You can send in the name of a friend or friends for membership cards to our Sunshine Branch and help make the roll reach one thousand before another year. You can also send to me an order for a box of mendets and help the Emergency Fund, which helps to buy wheel-chairs, little comforts, etc., for the shut-ins. You can send us the name of some shut-in who wishes cheer. You can perhaps ask your friends to organize a Sunshine Branch.

If possible, send 50 cents to Sunshine Headquarters, 96 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and subscribe for the Sunshine Bulletin.

We wish Sunshiners would commence now to lay by little gifts for the Christmas work and for birthdays. A Sunshine box would be very handy, and keep it ready with little things to pass on. I wish every once in a while some pretty little gift could be sent to us for "Wonder Bags." These bags are filled with dainty gifts and sent out to shut-ins, and each day they find a card hanging out of the bag, telling them when to open the gift. Sometimes these Wonder Bags will contain enough gifts for two months. If you wish, you could get up these Wonder Bags yourselves and get your friends to help. Imagine what pleasure a shut-in would have, especially if alone, to find some dainty, useful present each day. It would brighten one's life a great deal. Take two yards of cretonne, any color, to make the bag, which afterward can be used as a laundry bag. Make a hem about three inches in the top, then put ribbons in for draw strings. If the seams are left open for seven or eight inches, the ribbons containing the cards marked when to open can hang out these openings, too, and it does not make it top-

heavy; then these openings can be stitched afterward, if desired, but they would be handy to slip in soiled linen if used as a laundry bag, and save opening the top.

WHERE TO SEND CHEER.

Mrs. Emily A. Spencer, Spencerport, N. Y., Box 286, is an invalid who appreciates any form of cheer, especially cards and letters.

Please send "Sunshine" to a little girl seven years old, who has a crippled foot and cannot go to school. Address Cynthia Surratt, R. F. D. 2, Beardstown, Ill.

Do not forget that little Ethel Toussaint, 108 North Walnut Street, Pine Bluff, Ark., will be twelve years old June 12th. Be sure to send a card. She is a little cripple.

Cheery cards, picture books, blocks, etc., have been asked for two little tots—Eleanor Hynes, age five years old, and Master Gordon Hynes, age seven years old, both in care of Miss Elizabeth Hynes, Cornwall, Orange County, N. Y.

Cheer has been asked for a poor deformed girl. She can do a little sewing at times, and would be so glad to get silk pieces, velvet and calico, as well as any other form of cheer. Address Miss Clara Taylor, 33 Lutheran Street, care of Mrs. Frank Taylor, Newburgh, Orange County, N. Y.

Miss Mattie Moss, of Nelsonville, Ky., is trying to get a brace, as she feels sure she could walk if she had one. She asks each one to send her a dime, if possible, to help her buy one. She does nice needle work and would appreciate orders. She thanks each one who has sent her cheer in the past.

Miss Minnie J. Pingree, of Denmark, Maine, has been practically alone since Christmas. She longs for any cheer which might be sent her way. Material for two summer dresses and gingham petticoat would be a great surprise and help to her. She asks for magazines, as she scatters cheer by sending them out. A few stamps would be a great help along this line.

Miss Ida M. Newton, 60 Catherine Street, Albany, N. Y., will be 37 years old June 24th. She is a shut-in and would appreciate being remembered at that time. She and her feeble mother live in a basement. They are longing to get dry and sunny rooms, just as soon as they can find the much-needed way to pay rent. A dime shower would mean a great deal to these worthy people.

Mr. Fred Bizell, Newton Grove, N. C., is a young shut-in suffering with rheumatism. He has found a new medicine which he thinks will cure him if he could only buy it. But it is worth \$10.00 per bottle. He says he has taken a small quantity and feels much improved. He is so anxious to try it and give it a thorough trial, and get well again. Wonder if we could send enough to pay for some of the medicine, any way?

Miss Sue Rudisill, of 713 Laurel Street, Reading, Pa., has been a patient sufferer for years. Her sister, who cares for her, is in very poor health, too. Miss Rudisill tries to send cheer to the shut-ins as she lies in bed. Her pen is always busy. A few stamps would mean much to her, I am sure, or a little mite to buy something dainty to eat. She never complains, but is so gentle and patient and worthy. They have very little of this world's goods.

APPRECIATION.

A card of deep appreciation has been received because we printed the name of Eloise Miller. She has been beautifully remembered by the Sunshine friends.

Miss Bessie Smith, of 818 West Division Street, Springfield, Mo., is grateful to all for cards or cheer sent. She is saving her money to buy a reclining rolling chair.

Miss Frances Royce, of East Shoreham, Vt., thanks all who sent her cheer at Easter time. She received many beautiful letters, cards, etc., which gave her much pleasure. She is very much pleased with letters and cards from Somerville, Kan.

Little Ethel Toussaint, 108 Walnut Street, Pine Bluff, Ark., thanks the many kind ones who have sent her cheer. She hopes that each one may read this and know that she appreciates their kindness. Ethel will be twelve years old June 12th. She has been a little cripple five years.

Mrs. Delia Black and Mrs. Lucy Plummer, of Kelseyville, Cal., are always so grateful for cheer sent. Mrs. Black is helpless from rheumatism, and Mrs. Plummer, a nurse, has given up her life work to care for her friend. They have very little income, in fact there are things they need. They are thankful for cards received.

Mrs. M. J. Maddox, of Elberton, Ga., North Oliver Street, desires to thank the kind friends for lovely Easter cards, flower seed and plants, and for orders for plants. Mrs. Maddox is still using crutches because of a fall. She is so brave and plucky to try to raise flowers for a living when in such poor health. We hope she may receive many orders. Send stamp for price list direct to her.

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We've Crusoe's island an' robbers' cave,
An' Tower of London, an' don't you know
When one of us wants to let on he's brave
He crawls under the sawmill, scared an' slow?

Oh, you don't know half the fun out there!
For grandpa he never tells us, "Take care!"
An' Cousin Rob laughs, an' says to carouse,
An' mama, you see, is off in the house.

We fish in the brooks an' play in the sands,
An' try to catch tadpoles out of the springs;
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flour smooth with a little of the milk. Mix the flour, salt and yolks together. Melt the butter in an earthenware dish or omelet pan. This will butter the pan as well as soften it for the mixture. Last fold in the stiffly beaten whites. Bake in a quick oven, brown and flaky, fifteen or twenty minutes. Be careful not to let burn.

Wash the broom

In preparing the room for sweeping, remove to another room all small pieces of furniture or cover them as you do the larger pieces. All ornaments, books and other small articles should also be dusted and either taken from the room or carefully covered with a thick cloth.

After the sweeping and always, at least once a week, all brooms and brushes of the sweeping department should be washed in hot suds. Dry them out of doors in the air and sun to make them perfectly clean.

To remove odor of new paint

A room that has a strong odor of fresh paint in it as a result of repainting the woodwork can be freed of this unpleasant smell by placing a paper bag containing several pieces of charcoal in the room and closing it up tightly. Another old-time remedy for the trouble is an onion sliced into small pieces and put in a pail of water. Set the pail of water in the room and the water and onions will absorb the odor. Nothing but a trial of this last expedient will convince the sensible woman how efficacious it is. Strange to say, there is no odor of onion in the room, either.

Hints for the home

Lemon juice and salt, with the aid of sunlight, will remove rust stains on linen.

To eggs baked in individual casseroles add a slice of tomato and a sprinkling of cheese.

Clean currants by rubbing well in flour, then wash and dry them and they will be ready for use.

Stains may be removed from tinware by scouring with common soda, then washing thoroughly and drying.

Always keep sewing implements handy for dressing fowls—strong cotton, a thimble, tape, twine, needle and scissors.

To clean a copper kettle, rub its surface with lemon skin and salt. Wipe the surface quickly, and rub with a dry chamois.

Bread crumbs, to be used in dishes, will be better seasoned if turned into a dish with a little melted butter, then add seasonings and mix well.

To remove cocoa and chocolate stains from table linen soak over night in cold water, then pour boiling water through the stains from a good height.

Always let the cold water run from the faucet a few moments in the morning, or after it has stood in the pipes, as it is often impure from the sediment in them.

The secret of flaky pie crust is the use of hot water (not boiling) rather than cold in mixing the dough. If this hint is followed the crust will always be flaky, tender and crisp.

The addition of a little soda mixed with a teaspoonful of corn starch to the cream before pouring it into the tomato mixture will prevent curdling in the making of creamed tomato soup.



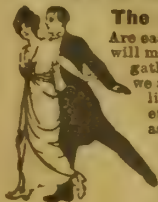
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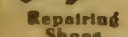
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her to the home he had made for her in the wild country he now lived in. But after his first rapturous greeting, as soon as he found himself alone with her, Somerfield told her that his plans were altered, and that he had settled to go on without delay to a station near the house of a friend of his, an old woman, who would care for Mary as if the girl were her own child.

"Your luggage can be sent off after us, and when it arrives, and my darling is rested from her fatigue," he said, "we will take another railway journey to Onona, and get married."

This had been said so lovingly, that, although Mary protested, she felt herself to be ungracious. Somerfield gave her no time to reflect in. In a few minutes she was driven off to a railway station with only her small bag of necessities and the precious treasure bag which the captain had handed to her lover.

During the journey Mary thinks her companion has grown very grave; but then he has been absorbed in listening to the story of her aunt's illness, and to the account of her voyage; and, indeed, in the delight of his presence she takes little notice of his manner.

As they now walk side by side, the dream-like expectancy is so strong on Mary's nerves that she feels as if she must cry out, or take some other decided way of banishing it. She stumbles again, and would have fallen, but Somerfield catches her. The oath he utters makes her shudder, and she draws away from his supporting arm.

This is not the first from him that she has heard, and she remembers sadly that swearing was not a habit of Willie's in the old days.

"If I had only come to him sooner!" She wishes she were his wife; this would give her a right to remonstrate. But surely, even as it is, she ought not to let him suppose that she is willing to tolerate such words.

"Are the men very rough you go among, dear?" she says, timidly.

It is now a gloomy evening, the sun has nearly set, and they are just entering the wood they have so long seen in front of them. It is yet darker here, and although she cannot see her lover's face distinctly, he turns his head away from his companion.

She feels sure that she has vexed him, and now that she rouses herself to think, she sees that he must have been vexed for some time past, and that is why he has been so silent as they have walked along.

She cannot tell how it has happened, but she must make it up at once. She clasps both hands around his arm, and looks up at him lovingly; but he keeps his face turned away from her.

"Please don't be angry with me, darling," she says, softly; "I never heard you speak so before, and it—it—frightened me."

"Did it?" he says, gruffly, and there is another pause of silence.

It has now grown so dark that Mary is glad to take her lover's arm. The path feels smoother under foot, and this gives her hope that they are approaching a more civilized part, for she has not seen so much as a cabin since they left the station.

The only sound since they entered the wood has been the snap of a dry twig under foot, or a rustling among the brushwood. Now there comes a low murmur which soon swells into a louder sound.

"Hark!" Mary stands still. "Surely we are near a river. You said your friend lived near a river?"

"Yes, it is a river." Then he says more gently, "There, there, my dear, you mustn't take notice of my strange way, it's all along of my being glad to see you again; you mustn't mind; we are a bit rough out here, you know." And he puts his hand on hers, draws it through his arm, and keeps it tightly clasped.

She has not known how frightened she was till now; her misgivings melt in a sob of relief, and bending down, she kisses the hand that holds hers.

"There, there!" he speaks roughly again; "we must hurry on if we're to reach Mrs. Davies before night; we shall have the old woman turning in before we get there."

"Doesn't she expect me?" Mary timidly asks.

"She expects you, sure enough," he answers, "but the day wasn't fixed; I wasn't sure about that till the vessel was signaled; seldom any one has so quick a passage." Then he says, abruptly, "You must be very tired, my dear; I've half a mind to carry you," and he laughs loudly.

"No, oh, no, thank you!" She shrinks away; his strange manner frightens her; if she did not know it is impossible, she would fancy he has been drinking since he left the station. She has awakened thoroughly at last.

This is not the Willie Somerfield who left her sobbing her heart out for his sake—something has altered him. But she reproaches herself; when she is his wife he will soon be all right again.

The wood has become thinner; it is not so dark as it was, the noise of the river is nearer, they have reached the edge of the forest. As Mary looks out between the trees she sees that a deep gully separates them from the road. She cannot pass this without help.

"The devil!" her companion exclaims; "while you have been jawing me we have come out of the way, but it don't matter." He flings first one bag and then the other across, and then, bending down, he raises her in his arms, and goes carefully down one side of the cleft and up the other. "There!" he says, as he lands her safely on the other side.

"How strong you are!" She looks up admiringly, while he stands breathing hard from the exertion he has made.

"It don't take much to lift you." Then, turning to her, he adds, "You're such a dainty little morsel, ladybird."

The sight of the broad, gray river makes Mary feel giddy, and she clings closely to her lover's arm as they walk beside it. She cannot help shivering, the water looks so cold and deep. Somerfield points onward. "There's the bridge," he says.

The place is so wild, so lonely, and the bridge is so slight, that it seems wonderful it has not been swept away.

"Shall we have to cross that bridge?" As she speaks Mary stands still, trembling. She feels a sudden dread; it seems to her the bridge will break when they reach the middle of the river, and the cold, gray water will close over their heads.

Somerfield turns to her angrily. "Of course we must cross it. What fools

women are!" and catching her hand, he hurries her on at such a pace that she soon loses her breath.

"Stop, stop, Willie; oh, please stop," she gasps; "I can't go so fast."

He answers her with an oath, bends down his frowning face to hers, and then he lifts her suddenly from the ground as if she were a child, and hurries on. At first she lies still in his arms, but as her breath comes back she feels that he is turning to the bridge; again an irrepressible horror seizes her—she cries out and struggles violently to free herself. "Be quiet, you little fool!" She sees Somerfield's red eyes glare fiercely as he swings her forward, then his grasp on her loosens, but she clings desperately to him now. He wrenches one hand, then the other away, and pushes her from him. She feels that she is falling, there is a despairing cry—a splash—and the dark water closes over her.

PART IV.

Mary rouses from what seems deep slumber. There is a rushing sound in her ears, and she opens her eyes. She sees only the gray, cold river. Is she floating along with it? No, her right hand clasps some substance, and she feels fastened down by the weight of her clothes.

She cannot move; she looks up; the stars are shining overhead; and as by degrees she rouses to fuller consciousness, she sees that she has been caught among the roots of a huge, withered tree.

She lies there white and exhausted, and as memory brings back the terrible scene she passed through, she wishes she had never awakened.

But love of life soon asserts itself, and after a while she manages to free her hair, and then her clothes, which have kept her fast to this refuge. Crawling along the far-stretching roots, she at last reaches the bank in safety. She is still too dazed to think—one idea only lightens through her stupefied brain—she must find the little station, get back to New York, and to a steamer returning to England. She feels dimly that the friendly Captain will protect her. She does not dare to remember what she needs protection against; she is dully conscious that her senses may forsake her if she begins to think.

As at last she rises to her feet she trembles so violently that she can scarcely stand. She has lost her hat, and her long hair hangs round her like a dripping cloak. Wringing the water from it with both her cold hands, she rolls it up tightly, and then she begins to walk back beside the river. She can make out the bridge at a little distance off, and this tells her that she has not been carried far from where she fell into the water. It does not occur to her that in the darkness she may find it impossible to make her way back through the wood to the station. She goes on and on between the river and the wood in a dogged, determined way. She knows she cannot cross the gully, but surely if she goes on there must be an easier way.

Suddenly the wood ends in another clearing, a wild heath stretches before her, overgrown with low bushes, and among these at some distance Mary fancies that she sees a light. She stops and gazes keenly; it may be only caused by some insect, but then it may come from a log cabin. But soon, as she walks towards the light, she feels sure that it is

shining from a window. Every now and then she stumbles over the uneven ground, sometimes she gets entangled among branches and brushwood, but sooner than she expects she comes to a long, low cabin—a dark, solitary building—from which the light comes through a chink in the shuttered window. Too confused to seek for the door, Mary makes her way desperately towards the light, and knocks on the shutter—no answer. She waits a minute or two, and then she knocks again vehemently.

"Who are you that knocks?" a voice says behind the shutter—a woman's voice, timid but not unkindly in tone. Mary feels her courage come back.

"I am a poor girl that has lost her way, and in the dark I fell in the water. I am dying of cold. Please let me in."

Some instinct seems to tell her not to tell the truth.

The shutter opens a little. "You can't come in here," the voice answers peevishly; "my masters are away, and they don't harbor strangers."

Mary thrusts her arm desperately through the opening.

"Only let me in and dry my clothes," she says; "for the love of God, have pity on me."

The shutter is again opened. "Maybe I'd show more pity in keeping you out," the woman says. "They're a wild, rough gang, and they may return any minute, and if they find you here, I wouldn't give much for your chances, my girl."

"Oh, let me in, if only for a few minutes," cries Mary, "or I shall perish of cold."

"Come to the door," the woman says.

The rough door is unbarred and the girl staggers into a good-sized room, where a fire of logs is blazing on a stone hearth.

Mary falls into a seat near the red glow, the water trickles off her till it makes a pool on the floor. The woman stares at her in wonder, but she asks no questions; she sets a pot of coffee on the hearth to warm for her dripping guest.

"You'll get your death in those clothes," and she looks compassionately at the girl's slender figure and sad face; then she goes into a closet opposite the fire and comes back with a blanket over her arm. "Slip off your skirts quickly," she says, "and wrap this round you, while I dry 'em a bit."

Mary feels too stupefied to move, but with an effort she does what she is bid, and then she sits wrapped in the blanket. While she drinks the hot coffee given her, the woman holds the girl's dripping clothes close to the blazing logs.

She is small and ugly—she looks as if drink and hard usage have dulled her faculties. Every now and then, however, she gives her visitor a keen glance and then she turns away, and seems absorbed in listening.

All at once she starts. "They are coming—don't you hear them?" she says excitedly. "Yes—it's them, safe enough—I hear the signal. You're not safe," her voice sinks to a whisper; "if they find you, they'll shoot you—or worse—you must hide in there—come!"

She thrusts Mary's clothes into her arms and hurries her to the place from which she has taken the blanket. The girl finds herself pushed past rows of shelves and within a second door, which the woman closes on her, and then the girl hears her also close the first door into the room. Mary finds herself in a veritable black hole, seemingly hung

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round with blankets—there is hardly room to turn, and yet she does not feel stifled. Looking up, she sees glimpses of starlight through chinks of the log roof. As the girl stands still, trembling with cold, she hears a tramp of footsteps outside; the tramp comes nearer, and then goes round the cabin. Next minute she hears loud voices in the room she has just quitted.

Mary has not shared her hostess' terror. The shock she has undergone has taken away all emotion. Her dullness makes her insensible of the great danger of her position.

All at once her heart beats fast; through the rough-planked doors she hears voices more distinctly. There has been first a continual dialogue, now a hubbub of sound, now several voices jeer at one of the party, who seems to keep silence. These voices are coarse and ruffianly, and Mary at last feels afraid. A fierce oath, and then a fist strikes the table with vehemence, and silences the clamor of the rest.

"Hold your jaw, every one. I have the swag safe; let them laugh who win."

Mary's heart seems to stand still, and she sinks back against the wall of the cabin.

It is Somerfield's voice. * * * The wretched girl does not lose consciousness, but for a time she is deaf to what is happening. * * * While she lay half drowned among the tree roots, it had seemed to her that a sudden frenzy had seized on her lover, and she had forgotten the existence of her money; now the horrible fact is clear. * * *

She rouses from her stupor to hear a hubbub of voices, some of them eager and clamorous. Somerfield's sounds brutal and defiant. He calls loudly for more drink, and after this there comes a lull in the talk. Soon this changes into wild sounds and laughter, choruses with loud blows on the table, quarrels, at which she turns faint again, and amid it all—one of the loudest—she hears Somerfield's voice. After what seems to her a long time, these sounds subside, sink by degrees into stillness, and soon it is plain by the snoring and heavy breathing that the revellers are sound asleep.

Overhead the stars have paled, and a chill air coming in slowly with gray glimmer warns poor Mary that dawn is breaking.

Moving very quietly she manages to dress herself in the confined space in which she stands. She has scarcely finished when the closet door opens gently, and the woman beckons her forth from her hiding place.

"They are all asleep," she whispers in the girl's ear.

The miserable creature is trembling, but without a word she leads the way to the cabin door. There is only a dim light coming from the log fire. The woman noiselessly opens the door, and the fire-glow mixes strangely with the pale gleam that comes in from the doorway and falls on the faces of the men who lie sleeping in varied positions on the floor.

Somerfield lies nearest the fire, but his face is hidden in the blanket he has rolled himself in; his frieze coat lies beside him. Mary shrinks away as she passes him; she has nearly reached the door when a strange idea comes to her. She will take his coat. If she ever again reaches England, this will be a proof to his friends that her terrible story is true.

She turns back, takes the coat from beside him, and then, pressing the hand of

the woman as she glides past her, she flies out into the cold, morning air.

Mary was never able coherently to relate how she reached New York and the steamer she had come out in, the day before it started on its homeward journey. She had a confused memory of walking through the chill dawn and waiting, weary and half dead, at the small station, and when she got to the steamer she was too ill to be questioned.

To the Captain's eager inquiries she answered, "Not now, Captain; I'm dreaming still. I'll tell you when I wake." And the horror of her eyes checked the good man's questions.

For several days she lay in her berth almost unconscious of what happened, but at last she roused and looked dreamily about her.

Presently her eyes fell on the frieze coat she had carried away. She looked at it in wonder; then, as all came back, she shivered with horror. How could she have brought away such a witness of the terrible story? After a little she took it down; the weight surprised her.

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—Miss Mildred Marsh, Washington.

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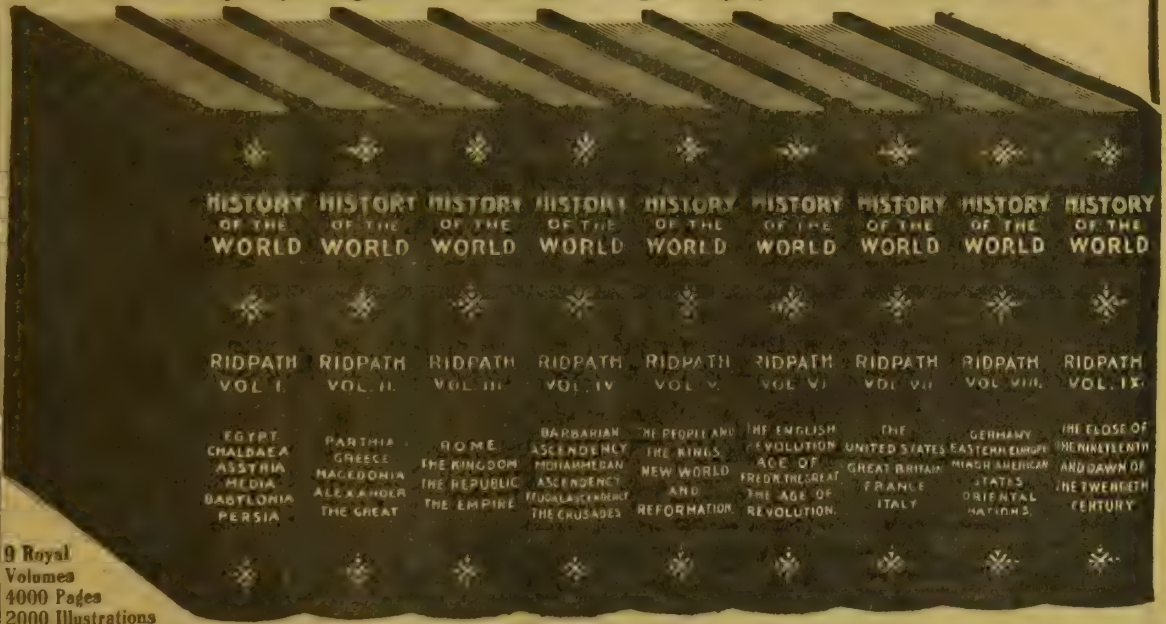
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Talks with Our Readers

Have You a Kind Voice?

There is no power of love so hard to get and keep as a kind voice. A kind hand is deaf and dumb. It may be rough in flesh and blood, yet do the work of a soft heart, and do it with a soft touch. But there is no one thing that love so much needs as a sweet voice to tell what it means and feels; and it is hard to get and keep it in the right tone. One must start in youth, and be on the watch night and day, at work and play, to get and keep a voice that shall speak at all times the thoughts of a kind heart. It is often in youth that one gets a voice or a tone that is sharp, and sticks to him through life, and stirs up ill-will and grief, and falls like a drop of gall on the sweet joys of home. Watch it day by day as a pearl of great price, for it will be worth more to you in days to come than the best pearl hid in the sea. A kind voice is to the heart what light is to the eye. It is a light that sings as well as shines.

Home Life of Children

Much more happiness is found in the home where the little courtesies of life are observed, for it is, after all, the little things that make our lives pleasant or unpleasant. In too many homes every question or idea brought forward by a child is immediately repressed. How are they to know all that they wonder about and all that comes up new in their lives, unless they are allowed the privilege of questions or of exchanging ideas? While precocity is never attractive in children, a certain amount of modest intelligence brought forward in the proper way is very entertaining. It is much pleasanter to find children who are able to entertain a caller for a few moments in the absence of the parent, than to come in contact with those only able to gape open-mouthed, and unable to answer any questions asked.

Standard Time

The adoption of "standard" time a few years ago has proven to be a very great convenience, especially to the millions of people living in our American cities. It is recognized as the only correct system of time for the operation of our railroads. Occasionally some changes are proposed to suit local conditions. The United States is now divided into four "time" zones or districts, designated as Eastern, Central, Mountain and Pacific time. We believe that three districts would make the most logical and more serviceable division—say Eastern time from the Atlantic coast to the Mississippi River; Central time from the Mississippi River to the Rocky Mountains, and Western time from the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific coast. A few years' time will probably bring about this division of districts for standard time.

Plant Peonies

We all rejoiced that there was such a wonderful profusion of peonies in bloom for Memorial or Decoration Day. The display was magnificent, indeed, enabling the masses to take part in the memorial services of the day. Now is the time to prepare for next year's peonies. Order the roots now, for planting in September or October. Remember that peonies are hardy everywhere; that once planted in suitable soil, they continue to increase in size and profusion of bloom; that they are free from disease and that insects do not bother them. You will get choice of selection by ordering at this time for early fall shipment. Order as many as you can, but be sure to get at least a few rather than none at all.

New Crop of Primrose Plants

During the past season our friends sent so many orders for the beautiful and popular primroses that the supply was exhausted sooner than expected. But the new plants for this season are now ready, and our florists have proudly shown to us the large and fine display in their immense greenhouses. We can assure our readers that these plants are the finest and healthiest that can be grown, and the supply is much greater than that of last season. We know that they will carry pleasure and satisfaction wherever they go, and hope that many thousands of our readers will take advantage of our liberal offer on another page.

THE HIRED GIRL

By Helen Forrest Graves

"SHE makes a perfect picture, out there in that tropical sunshine," said Mr. Villars. "Look at her, with that scarlet ribbon at her neck, and those coils of hair waving blue black in the intense light! It is like a dream of Italy!"

"Yes," said Mrs. Leeds, "she is very pretty, but that don't signify so much. She's a good, smart girl, and don't lose any time looking at herself in the glass, like some I've had."

"Where did you pick her up?" asked the young clergyman, carelessly drawing the newspaper from his pocket as he sat

by this irritability of manner; "but I know what she is, and that's more to the purpose. She's the best washer that ever crossed my threshold; as docile as a kitten and as smart as a cricket; does twice the work any one else that I ever had, and if she's ever tired she don't say so."

Mrs. Leeds bustled off to interview Farmer Parks for more Alderney cream for the summer boarders, now that the house was beginning to comfortably fill up.

Mr. Villars improvised a pillow out of his coat, folding it cylinderwise and placed under his head, and closed his eyes

girls of rock-bound New England. There was a subtle, gliding motion, a languor of gracefulness in her gait, which was foreign to all her surroundings.

The girls of the vicinity did not fraternize with Eliza when, at rare intervals, she accompanied Mrs. Leeds to church, sewing circle or village gathering; for in Stapleville the employer and employe occupied one all comprehensive social platform.

They said she was "odd;" they looked at her askance; and Eliza, always very quiet in her ways, made no effort to in-



"Is it true, Eliza? Have you been deceiving me?"

down on the carpet of pine needles under the big evergreen tree.

"Didn't pick her up anywhere," said Mrs. Leeds, tartly (for this was a part of the transaction that had never been quite satisfactory to her businesslike soul). "She came along."

"Came along?" with a slight accent of surprise.

"Yes—looking for work."

Mr. Villars lifted his eyebrows.

"Then how do you know who she is?" he asked.

"I don't know," retorted Mrs. Leeds, unconsciously betraying her weak point

in a sort of summer dream among the pine boughs and butterflies.

And Eliza, spreading out blackberries to dry on the board platform that had been erected along the garden fence, began to sing softly to herself. She was very silent, ordinarily, but somehow it seemed as if the sunshine had thawed out her very heart today.

Mr. Villars had been right. There was something of the atmosphere of Italy about Eliza—her eyes were so deep and dark, her hair so glossily black, her cheek stained with such a rich olive.

Moreover, she did not move like the

sinuate herself into their good graces. Why should she? What did it signify one way or the other whether Deborah Smart and Keziah Hayes and Abby Jane Clark liked her or not, as long as Mrs. Leeds was pleased with her?

But the village girls made one error in their calculations. They had not intended, as time crept on, to emphasize their antipathy to Mrs. Leeds' Eliza so strongly as to awaken partisan feeling in Mr. Villars' breast; but they did so, unconsciously to themselves.

"Why do they neglect that girl so?" the young clergyman asked himself. "Can

they not see how infinitely superior she is to them? It's a shame!"

And so Abby Jane Clark and Deborah Smart and Keziah Hayes sealed their own doom, so far as Mr. Villars was concerned. There was not one of them but would have been delighted to win a smile, a glance, a pleasant word from the young man who was summering at the Leeds farm house.

But alas! like the priest and the Levite, he passed by on the other side; and when the village girls, in their afternoon muslins and ribbons, sat at their windows and wondered why he came not, he was, in nine cases out of ten, helping Eliza to gather peaches for tea; standing beside the brook while she spread out towels and pocket handkerchiefs to bleach, or even explaining to her the difference between the notes of the thrush and the wood lark, the speckled eggs of the robin and the pearl-gray treasure of the whip-poor-will.

"He seems to be taking a notion to her," said Mrs. Leeds to herself, as she eyed the pair from her milk-room window. "Well, why shouldn't he? It's true he's a minister, and my own nephew; but in my mind Eliza is good enough for any man. My sakes! won't Abby Jane Clark be mad? If ever a girl wanted to be a parson's wife, Abby Jane does."

Thus things were progressing, when one day a smart young tradesman from an adjoining town came to board out his fortnight's vacation at Deacon Clark's.

The Clarks were a well-to-do family, but the deacon was a little close in his financial administration, and Mrs. Clark and Abby Jane were not averse to earning a new dress, now and then, out of the rent of their big spare room; and Mr. Trudkins brought a letter of recommendation from a friend in Packerton, and he dressed in the latest fashion, and had a big, black mustache that overshadowed his upper lip like a pent-house.

"Oh, ma, how very genteel he is!" said Abby Jane, all in a flutter of admiration. "A very nice young man, indeed," responded the deacon's wife.

And the very next week Abby Jane came down to the Leeds farm house.

"Have you heard the news of your Eliza?" she asked of the farmer's wife in a mysterious whisper.

"Eh?" said Mrs. Leeds.

"She's nothing but a play actress," said Abby Jane, nodding her head until the stuffed bluebird on her hat quivered as if it were alive. "Mr. Alphonso Trudkins saw her himself in the Great New York Combination Troupe. She was acting, a woman who was married to a Cuban, and lost her pocket handkerchief, and was afterward choked to death with the pillows off the best bed. Desdemonia her name was, I think."

"Well, and suppose she was?" said Mrs. Leeds, who was too good a general to let the enemy see what havoc had been carried into her camp. "What then?"

"What then?" echoed Abby Jane. "Well, I do declare, Mrs. Leeds, I am surprised."

"I don't believe a word of it," said Mrs. Leeds, defiantly.

"But Mr. Trudkins saw her with his own eyes!" cried Abby Jane, flushing scarlet with indignation. "He knew her the minute he looked at her yesterday in church. Eliza Ellesmere her name was, he says, in the advertisements, and she danced a dance, with a yellow scarf and a lot of roses, between the pieces, making

herself out to be a Spanish mandoline player. It's enough to make one's hair stand on end to hear Mr. Trudkins tell about it."

"It don't do to believe all one hears," said Mrs. Leeds, losing all count of the eggs she was breaking into a china bowl, in her consternation. "And Stapleville does beat all for gossip."

"Well, you can ask her yourself, and see if she dares deny it," said Abby Jane, exultantly. "Here she comes now. Ask her—only ask her!"

And Eliza came into the kitchen with the spice box in her hand. Mr. Villars followed close behind, fanning himself with a straw hat.

"I have come from the men in the hay field," said he. "They want another jug of cool ginger and water, with plenty of molasses stirred in, Aunt Leeds. Good-morning, Miss Clark. I hope the deacon is quite well this morning."

Abby Jane turned pink, and smiled her most seductive smile.

"Oh, quite so," she simpered. "I only came on—"

"Is it true, Eliza?" Mrs. Leeds asked,

HOW SUE PICKED OUT HER MAN.

The wisest girl I ever knew
Was Ella Wisehead's sister, Sue.
She used to have a dozen beaux,
And led them, each one, by the nose.

Each one of three was made to think
That he was the most favored gink;
Three others thought they had a chance,
They fancied love lurked in her glance.

Quite faithfully they "stuck around"
Close to where Susie could be found.
The rivalry became so strong
That something must be done ere long.

At this point Sue began to plan
A way to single out her man;
The scheme she struck upon proved quite
Effective, to her keen delight.

She asked each one if he would mind
Her flirting some, if she'd be kind.
One would not stand for that; so she
Said, "Dear, you are the man for me."
—Charles H. Meiers, California.

sharply. "Have you been deceiving me? Are you a play actress all this time?"

Eliza's large eyes slowly turned first to one and then to another of the little group. She did not blush—it was not her way—but the color ebbed slowly away from her cream, pale cheek.

"I have been deceiving no one," said she. "I am not an actress now. I have been one. But I did not like the life, so I left it. If any one had asked me, I should have told them long ago."

Mr. Villars came forward and stood at the girl's side, as he saw his aunt shrink away.

"Well," he said, "even taking it all for granted, where's the harm?"

"Charles, Charles!" cried Mrs. Leeds, putting up her hands with a gesture of warning. "Remember poor Avicé."

"It is because I remember her that I speak thus," said Mr. Villars, calmly. "I had an elder sister once," he added, turning to Abby Jane Clark, "who ran away from home and became an actress. She had talents far above the average, but my parents were old-fashioned, and their ideas ran in narrow grooves. They disapproved of the stage, so Avicé left her home. Whether she is dead or living we

know not, but wherever she is, I am sure that she cannot but be good and true and pure."

Abby Jane's eyes fell under his calm glance. She was a little sorry, now, that she had chosen to come hither and bear the news herself. Somehow Mr. Villars had taken it in a different spirit from what she had anticipated. And Eliza's soft, languidly-modulated voice broke on the constrained silence like drops of silver dew.

"I have been an actress, and perhaps I should still be on the stage," she said, "had it not been for circumstances. My father dealt in stage properties, and I was brought up to the business, but still I never liked it. But one cannot easily step out of the path where one's feet have been placed, especially if one is a woman."

"However, the turning point came at last. Our leading lady fell sick of a contagious fever, in a lonely village where we had stopped to play one night. The manager packed up everything in a panic, and bade us all be ready to go. I told him I could not leave Mrs. Montague alone. He said if I left the company thus I should never return to it."

"Well, what could I do? The stage was my living, it was true, but our leading lady had no friends. It would have been inhuman to desert her, so I stayed behind and took care of her. She died, poor thing, and it swallowed up all my earnings to bury her decently."

"Then I tried here and there to earn my living as best I could. I was not always successful. More than once I have been hungry and homeless; but heaven be praised, I have always found friends before the worst came to the worst. Now you know all," she concluded, quietly leaning up against the door, where the swinging scarlet beams made a fantastic background for her face.

Mr. Villars had advanced a step or two toward Eliza as she spoke; his gaze had grown intent.

"This—leading lady of whom you mention," said he, with an effort. "Do you remember her name? Her real name, I mean."

"They called her Katharine Montague on the bills," said Eliza. "If she had any other name, she never told me what it was. I say if, because—because— Oh, Mr. Villars, I never quite understood it before, but there is a look in your eyes that reminds me of her. I have been startled by the familiar expression, many a time, but I never could convince myself where the link of association belonged. And—and I still keep a little photograph of her that I found in her Bible after she was dead. I kept them both. Wait, and I will bring them to you."

Mr. Villars gazed at the picture in silence. Mrs. Leeds uttered a little cry of recognition.

"Heaven be good to us!" she wailed. "It is our Avicé, sure enough!"

The sequence of this little life idyl is simple enough. Any one can guess it. Charles Villars married Eliza. And even the most fastidious "sisters" of her husband's flock can utter no word of reproach against the minister's wife, although she makes no secret of the fact that she was once an actress.

And poor Abby Jane Clark is chewing the bitter husks of disappointment, for even Mr. Trudkins has gone back to Packerton without declaring himself.

"There is no dependence to be put upon men," says Abby Jane, disconsolately.

HOW I GOT THE PUTNEY FARM

By FLORENCE L. PITT

On the mornin' of October 31, 1905, our folks wuz up bright an' airy, on account of Ephr'um hev'in' to take a load o' produce over to Curryville; an' it bein' a right smart piece from us, he wanted to git a airy start. We wuz all through eatin' breakfast, an' me an' Priscilly Rasher (she's been stayin' with me a spell) wuz gittin' the eggs ready to be tuk to market, an' Ephr'um an' his hired man wuz sittin' f'other side o' the stove, mendin' some harness that a fractious colt hed tore up the day before. All at once there wuz a great rumblin' noise, an' the kitchen begun a-rockin' back'ards an' for'ards, an' it shuk like as ef it had the aiger; the pan o' fresh eggs (well, mebbe there wuz a few o' 'em thet hed been put down) fell crashin' to the floor, an' bruk ev'ry livin'

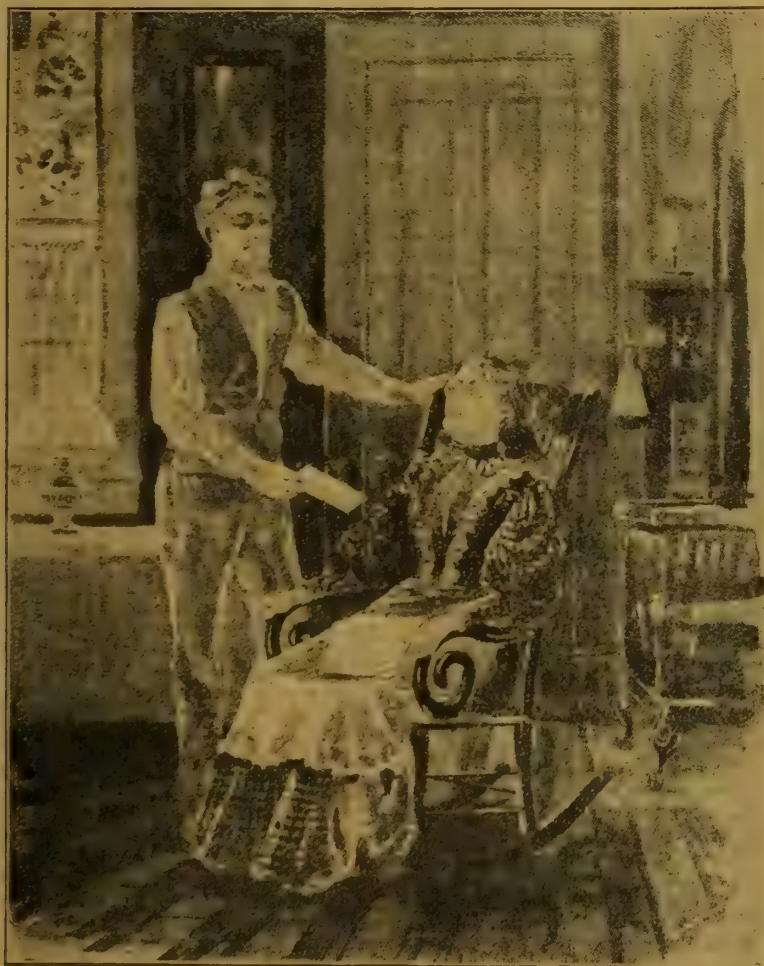
an' Hiram an' Priscilly air the witnesses. Marthy, the Putney farm is yours ef you're spared, an' a big sheer in the home place, too. Now, Marthy, I hain't been as good to you as I'd ort 'a' been," says he, talkin' fast an' excited-like. "I see now thet I could 'a' done a heap more."

"Yes," says I, truthfully, "there's lots better men than you be, Ephr'um."

"Well," says he, "ef I wuz spared I would try not to be so aggravin'."

Then says I, softenin' a little:

"Well, I dunno but what I could 'a' done more fer you, Ephr'um. I could 'a' made hot biscuits oftener, bein's you're so fond of 'em. But you know, Ephr'um, thet it's a dretful bother fer me to bake biscuits when I come home from anywhere all dressed up in my black silk."



"Here's a little present for you. I hope you'll enjoy it."

egg! The next second I looked over at Ephr'um, an' I never want to see sech a look on a human's face agin. His eyes 'peared to be startin' out o' his head, an' he wuz as white as any bit o' bleached muslin I ever see. The rockin' still kep' up, an' the next thing the chimney toppled over onto the shed ruff with a turrible noise; an' as ef this wa'n't enough, the big glass in the front room fell with a smash onto the marble-top stand. This at last loosed Ephr'um's tongue, an' he screeched out awful, an' says he:

"Marthy, Marthy, my day hez come! I'm to be tuk as my great-grandad wuz —by an' airthquake." Then says he, after gittin' his breath agin, "An' I hain't made no will. But I'll make one right now,

"Yes, yes," says he, very meek. "When it's too late, we see all these things we could 'a' done."

Hiram an' Priscilly hedn't said a word, but kep' groanin' unceasin'ly.

We sot there till daylight, expectin' ev'ry minute 'ud be our next, although the rockin' hed quit long before. Along about seven o'clock Ephr'um begun to git real chipper, an' he talked right unconcerned about our shakin' up. Howsom-ever, I see he made no move to start fer Curryville, so I sez to him:

"Ephr'um, ef you're goin' to town today I'll go with you, an' we'll see Lawyer Perkins about thet will. 'Tain't no use dilly-dallyin' no longer."

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Our Floral Friends

THE FLOWERS.

Passing a home at a quiet hour,
White crepe on a door I'd seen;
Finned to the crepe was a lovely flow'r
And touched with a bit of green.
I thought of the child which there did lay,
And the pure white crepe and flow'r,
For the child oft in the garden play,
To while away the hours.
Now that the little one did leave,
The flow'r did still remain,
Like those at home thou too did grieve
And they seemed to be in pain.
Then when the child was lowered down,
It lay on a bed of flow'r's,
And no dry eyes could there be found,
As tears came down in show'r's.
Yes, the flow'r's too have a mission here,
And what could take their place?
The sweetest thing in any sphere,
And admired by every race.
—Albert E. Vassar, St. Louis.

EARNING MONEY WITH FLOWERS.

My flowers were surely outgrowing their quarters; something just had to be done. I did not feel like giving all my surplus beauties away, nor could I destroy them. They were in a twenty-by-fifty pen, but to put them in the front yard without a chicken-tight fence was out of the question. The thought occurred to me, Why not try to sell the surplus flowers, and buy the fence myself? Why had I not thought of that before? The flowers were all perennials, and some were difficult to raise from seed. I knew there were lots of flower lovers that would prefer to buy plants, rather than to raise them.

First, I inserted an ad in the local paper saying I had flower plants for sale, at five cents each, giving a list of the kinds, name of my farm and phone number. I also had some cards printed with my name, list of flowers for sale, and farm name. Whenever I went to town I would distribute those cards to as many ladies as I had time, and take orders, usually to be delivered on my next trip. My little son, age ten, was my partner, and delivered such orders as was necessary on his wheel, for which I was to pay him ten cents on every dollar's worth that was sold.

The price was very cheap, considering what I gave for the money. Just think of giving a large clump (ready to bloom) of double shasta daisies, pearl achillea, platycodon, campanula, sweet william, or snapdragon for five cents. But they were all easy to raise from seed; from one

packet of platycodon seed I raised thirty-one thrifty plants, and only needed two or three clumps for myself. My first month was a poor one for transplanting, but in the next three months I had sold all I had to spare. My part of the proceeds came to \$19.40, and as the fence cost only \$16.00, I had some left to buy more seeds.—M. N. Wilcox, California.

THE CALIFORNIA POPPY.

One should see the California poppy in its native state, California, to fully appreciate its beauty. During a recent trip to that state, I saw no prettier flowers (and there are many varieties) than these. In localities the fields seem to have caught the golden glow of the sun in all its brilliancy. I have found that these flowers respond very readily to cultivation. From a package of seed sent me last year I had a beautiful collection in delicate shades of pink, and exquisite soft colors from cream through the various yellow shades to the deep orange color so much admired. No flower is more exquisite for a table bouquet than this one, arranged with sprays of its own delicate, lace-like foliage. Rich garden soil is required to grow the flowers in perfection.—Mrs. Ella F. Flanders.

HOW I ROOT CARNATIONS.

The carnation is my favorite flower. In the spring or fall I arrange a small sandy bed, wet it with water, and set out the little sprouts or shoots. In about two weeks they are growing nicely. I have had good success with all the flowers I have tried. I have rooted several different kinds of roses and have an especially fine lot of monthly roses. Will close with best wishes to The Household Journal and its readers.—Rosa Underhill, Oklahoma.

TO GET RID OF THE ROSE APHIS:

A recent government bulletin says that to get rid of the "rose aphis," use a teaspoonful of forty-per-cent nicotine solution to two gallons of water and a half ounce of whale-oil soap. The soap should be shaved fine and dissolved in hot water. Apply by spraying, or dip the infested twigs in a pail or pan of the solution. Do not make the solution stronger than indicated.

Favorite Flowers and How They Were Successfully Grown

THE GORGEOUS DAHLIA.

The flower I have grown most successfully is the dahlia. In the spring I divide my roots and select beds fully exposed to the sun nearly all day. The ground is rather loose and moderately rich. After the beds have been spaded, I make holes three feet apart and eighteen inches deep. In each hole I put a spadeful of well-rotted manure and mix with a little ground and set my roots on this. I let grow only the strongest sprout that comes up; all others I pull out. These sprouts I plant, and when they begin to grow I treat them like those on the old roots. I cultivate them regularly, and if the weather is hot and dry I apply water—not too much, as this tends to make soft growth and results in poor flowers. I tie them securely to stakes, and when the first sign of a bud appears I scratch manure in the ground

around the roots. I cut out all weak branches and poor looking buds and keep stirring the ground. The result is a wealth of large, glorious flowers. Those raised from the sprouts grow natural into fine, open plants and need no pruning. My experience is that these give even larger flowers than those on plants on the old roots. I begin planting in April and in favorable seasons they begin to flower in June.—Mrs. George Baum, New Jersey.

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in the form of a half circle. The bed was worked very deeply and enriched freely.

The back of the bed was six feet long, giving ample space for three cannas, each outer one being placed about one foot from the edge, thus giving plenty of loose earth around each plant. In front of this row were two cannas, spaced equally with the others, and the remaining one, in front of these.

My half circle grew beautifully. The tropical foliage spread out, so enlarging the apparent size of the bed that you could hardly believe it had only a six-foot diameter.

As summer advanced it was thickly mulched with old manure and watered generously. As the blossoms faded, they were broken off, leaving other buds on the same stalk to open day after day, insuring a long season of bloom and allowing none to form seed.

Through the latter half of summer and all fall until heavy frosts they were a constant mass of bloom. They were taken up and wintered in the cellar, and for the following spring, when the roots were divided, I had plenty for a double row more than one hundred feet long.—Mrs. Jas. S. Blue, Kentucky.

SWEET PEAS.

I have had the best success in growing sweet peas, of any flower. The first of April I dig a trench one and one-half feet deep in some sandy spot, then fill this one foot deep with good, rich mulch, and the remainder is filled with sand. After this the seed is dropped one-fourth of an inch apart and covered very lightly. I then watch the tender shoots carefully, so that if late frosts occur they can be covered. At the time that the upper leaflets are transformed into tendrils for climbing I have stout stakes firmly planted by the side of the bed and light chicken wire fastened to them. This serves as a substantial support, yet is invisible, for the vines completely hide it.

During the blossoming season the withered blossoms are kept trimmed off and keeps them blooming, when otherwise the seed pods would have set on. The weeds that come up among my plants I pull and pack around the roots to keep the moisture. In hot, dry weather I sprinkle the plants at evening, finding this better to grow them in a sunshiny place than in a shady, damp place.

I trust that any one abiding by these instructions will be pleased with their success in growing sweet peas.—Carrie E. Bodey, Michigan.

CARNATION THE FAVORITE.

For many years I have been a lover of pretty flowers, but the one I have had most success with is the carnation.

I prepare the slip and insert well down into a rich black soil, giving a large pot, so that the roots will have plenty of room to grow. Once a week I take a table fork and stir the ground on top (which becomes so firm) around the stalk. The farmer cultivates his corn and other grain in order to obtain the best results, so why, then, should not the plant receive like care to a certain extent?

On an average of twice a week I thoroughly wash the plant, for if the leaves are not kept clean the plant cannot breathe properly, and the result will be a sickly-looking plant. By all means do not keep the ground too wet, nor should it become too dry.

By carefully following these rules I have never failed to have my carnations to bloom all winter, and the foliage is al-

ways a rich green, which is pleasing to any eye that is a lover of plant life.

Carnations should be set out early in the spring in a well-prepared bed. By being careful not to disturb the roots the plant will not stop growing nor blooming.—Mrs. Chas. E. Glackin, Colorado.

BRIGHT GERANIUMS.

My geraniums bloom the year round. I have handsome plants to decorate the house with all winter. This is the way I grow geraniums: Take eight-inch pots, put pieces of broken crockery at the bottom, to secure proper drainage, then fill these with rich, light garden earth into which has been mixed a handful of sand. Plant the cuttings in March or April, water well and set in a sunny window. When the plants are about a hand high, pinch out the bud; this is to make them branch. Geraniums treated in this way make thick, round plants with glossy green foliage. After there is no danger of frost I carry these out in the yard. By June they are in bloom and continue so all the summer and fall. I have counted eighteen and twenty blossoms on a medium-size plant.

In June or July start cuttings for winter blooming. Use the same method as described, only when the cuttings are first planted keep them in the shade for a week or ten days. These begin to bloom by fall. I bring them in the house early, so that they may not be hurt by the cold, and arrange at the window. These continue to bloom all winter.

So my method is good drainage, rich black soil, plenty of water, sunshine and occasionally working around the plants.—Annie K. Russell, Virginia.

GIANT ASTERS.

I bought seven packets of giant asters for 50 cents. The second week in April I sowed the seed in shallow boxes (two and one-half to three inches deep), sowed the seed thinly and just covered from sight by sifting over them some of the soil. I did not water unless the soil became decidedly dry. When the seedlings attained the third leaf I transplanted about an inch apart, and in a couple of weeks' time I transplanted in the open ground about twelve inches apart. I kept the ground free from weeds and frequently stirred, but did not go deep enough to injure the surface roots. When well in bud a top dressing of well-rotted stable manure assists in nourishing the plants, also to keep the surface cool and moist. My asters were immense, long-stemmed flowers like those seen in the florists' windows. I realized from the sale of my asters \$16.00, besides I gave away flowers for funerals.—Mrs. Will H. Weitzel, Ohio.

THE STately PHLOX.

You wish to know the flower I had the best success with, and I look with my mind's eye over the masses of flowers that blessed me, and at last decide on Phlox Drummondii.

I sowed the seed the 26th of May in heavy clay, slightly mixed with yellow sand, which was enriched the year before by adding stable manure in the fall. This spring I hoed it up to make a good bed, then raked it, making it fine, then planted the seed.

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weeds, and began to blossom when about three and a half inches high. I hoed them often, and when they were so bushy I could not use a hoe, I took a three-tine table fork and worked the earth around and between the plants nearly every evening. I kept it up all through the hot, dry weather we had in August, keeping them in fine condition.

They were a perfect mass of most lovely flowers and exquisite coloring, a constant source of delight to all who saw them, keeping their beauty and vitality after quite a hard frost. We will always include Phlox Drummondii in our flower list hereafter.—Mrs. J. R. Whiting, Wisconsin.

BEST SUCCESS WITH CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

I have had better success with the chrysanthemum than any flower I have ever tried to grow. I have about fifteen different varieties, some of which were very pretty this season. My friends who saw them have asked for plants in the spring when I reset them. This I do some time between the middle of March and the first of May.

I take the old plants up every year and dig the bed up well and add some more dirt, which I get in the woods. Then I take off the thrifty-looking plants and set them back in the bed. If the sun is very warm I turn some old flower pots over them until they start to grow. After I take the pots off I cover the bed with well-rotted stable manure, and water them good about twice a week, or oftener if the sun is very hot. After they have grown several inches I pinch the tops out, and this makes branches start out from the sides, and these I pinch back, too. This gives them a bushy appearance and I get more flowers this way. I stop pinching them out about August 1st, as they begin to bud about the 15th of August. I always set some in pots, too, and I treat them the same way. In the fall I cover the bed with leaves to protect the roots.—Mrs. V. S. Arehart, Virginia.

SWEET PEAS THE FAVORITE.

I have had most success in raising sweet peas. I planted them along the east side of our house, about the latter part of March. First I dug a trench about twenty feet long and planted the peas about two inches below the level of the ground, about two inches apart. When about two inches high I filled them with rich soil and kept filling them once a week until they were about two feet high. I placed a heavy wire against the house and one close to the ground, right over the sweet peas. Then I took twine and lapped it from wire to wire for my plants to climb on.

The result was a mass of bloom from the first of June until Jack Frost visited them in the fall. We picked the beautiful flowers every morning and often sent bouquets of sweet peas to sick friends.—Ercel B. English, Ohio.

SOMETHING NEW.

I can tell the Journal something new, and satisfactory. I call it "grape grass." I take seeds from grapefruit, put them in a warm place until real dry, then plant in a flower pot filled with rich earth, and cover over with same, and water frequently and set in the sun. In a short time you will see tiny sprigs of green until you have a bunch of fluffy grass. It makes a pretty table decoration set in a fancy fern bowl. Can you beat this?—Fannie W. Bergfelt, New York.

Floral Problems

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[Our readers are privileged to avail themselves of the knowledge acquired by Mr. McGregor in his many years of experience as an enthusiastic florist. Whatever may be your trials or troubles in the flower line, write us, and he will gladly assist you. Send two-cent stamp if you desire reply by mail.—Editor.]

Amaryllis—Milk and Wine Lily—Ethyl Brill, Pennsylvania—Late fall or early winter is the time to secure and start the amaryllis. You can secure good bulbs through any of the fall catalogues of the mail-order houses, which will be ready for distribution in September.

Montbretias—Hyacinth Candicans—Mrs. W. H. Palmer, Vermont—These bulbs are not hardy and it is best to secure fresh bulbs every year. They are of comparatively little cost, and while they can be taken up in the fall and carried over in a way similar to the way one would carry potatoes, the care and trouble in doing this would amount to more than new bulbs would cost.

Worm Killer—Mrs. Gold Meeker, Illinois—The writer has been experimenting recently with a new powder, which has been sent him by one of the leading horticultural firms of Europe, and it seems to be very effective for ridding the soil of worms and other things which attack and bother the roots of plants. The writer is sending you a sample package, and all he asks in return is a report on the results of its use. Simply scatter a little around the base of the plants and water in thoroughly.

Red Bud or Judas Tree—Mrs. E. L. Thurston, Indiana—Your experience with the red bud is not an uncommon one, as in the effort to secure a large tree quickly many are lost, because the old plants are seldom moved with any success. The red bud grows best in a rich, sandy and a somewhat moist loam, and the younger the plant when transplanted, the better it is. The writer would suggest planting in the early fall, at which time you would secure a plant direct from the nursery row. A purchase from any of the large catalogue nurserymen in the fall should give you a choice selection.

Easter Azalea—Mrs. A. G. Campbell, Pennsylvania—To carry the azalea through the summer, plunge the pot to its depth in a cool, shady location, where the plant will not be exposed to the sun at any time during the day. Syringe the plant as often as possible and pinch out the several shoots on the flower stems to a single one. The azalea will form flowering buds for the next season, in the late summer. Take the plant up and keep it indoors where it will receive plenty of light and a temperature around 50 degrees. As it comes into bloom next winter the can be removed to the temperature of the living room.

Fern Scale—Mrs. E. H. Gift, Illinois—This department probably receives more letters of inquiry concerning scale on ferns than from any other plant trouble. Any of the prepared soap insecticides from the mail-order houses will be found effective, or a strong solution of Ivory soap used two or three times a week will rid the plants of the insects inside of a couple of months. If the plants are not given attention the scale will spread very rapidly and in half a year's time the plants will be completely ruined. If you have a deep vessel of any kind in which the soap solution can be made up, a good way to apply it is to invert the plant and immerse the foliage.

Non-Development of Rose Flowers—Mrs. L. C. O'Harr, Alabama—The failure of the flowers on your Marechal Neil rose to properly develop is undoubtedly due to insufficient nourishment, cultivation, watering and attention at the time the plants are blooming. It is at this time that the plants should be treated well, by being heavily mulched, cultivated as much as possible and thoroughly watered, to sustain the flowers; in fact, regular and constant attention in this direction should be given as the buds develop. In your section the soil is probably light, and therefore the plants will require attention in this line. The addition of liquid manure once or twice a week would undoubtedly prove beneficial.

Care of Tuberous Begonias—Mrs. J. E. Henning, South Dakota—Tuberous begonias should grow well in your section. They are of easy culture and among the best of our summer-blooming bulbs, flowering in shady places where little else will grow. The first requisite is a rich, free soil; if clayey, enrich with leaf mold or rotted manure or peat, adding some sand to make it friable. Give a dressing of stable manure and mix in well. Nothing will be gained in preparing the ground or planting the bulbs until the ground becomes warm to stay warm, probably about May 15th to June 1st with you. Have the soil moist and plant the bulbs one to two inches deep, and do not water them until

they have started into growth, and then give them regular waterings as the plants come into good foliage. The plants do not do well in full sunlight and should be planted on the north side or in a partially shaded location. Recent introductions in single varieties, frilled, crested, double, double crested and other forms of flowers are exceedingly beautiful and showy.

Insect Destroyer and Plant Fertilizer—J. Alban Fellers, Ohio—If you refer to something advertised or mentioned under this header or combination the article was probably some form of tobacco. Very likely tobacco dust. It is clean, easy to handle, generally effective for insects, and is acknowledged of some value as a fertilizer. For house plants, pyrethrum powder is very effective and perfectly harmless. You can get it from your druggist. There are a number of other things, such as soaps and powders, all of which are well advertised at this time by catalogue houses, and they are quite effective for outdoor use. If you will advise us a little more definitely as to the plants to be treated, we possibly could be of further help to you.

Blooming Plants—Mrs. Ruth Hartwig, Michigan—It is seldom that our department receives an inquiry from a section of plants growing on the sunny side of the house. As there are such a comparatively few things which will do well in the shade, it leaves a large list for the places exposed to the sun. A planting of cannas, salvia, coleus, dusty miller, would make a good combination; and such things as dahlias, petunias, heliotrope, verbenas, hibiscus, etc., will do well. We note you say the soil is quite sandy. Would advise that you make it heavier in some way—adding better soil, not particularly a soil highly enriched, but something a little heavier and of some substance. It will be a waste of time to try to get good results from plantings in a combination of sawdust, coal siftings and gravel.

Carnations for Summer or Winter Flowers—Mrs. C. H. Wilber, Minnesota—Right now would be a good time for you to buy young carnations from any of the catalogue houses, which offer them as low as 50 cents per dozen. If these plants are planted out in good garden soil and sufficient cultivation given, just as you would cultivate your vegetables, they will make nice plants in the late summer, and in the early fall they can be taken up and potted and will make good plants for winter blooming. Out of doors the carnation likes thorough cultivation, with sufficient watering and a soil not too sandy. When taken up in the fall, the plants can grow in the same soil. The plant which you mention as not having bloomed in two or three years is really of little value unless you want it as a foliage plant. It is as natural for the plant to flower as it is to grow, and there must be some local condition against its doing so. You might plunge it out of doors, in a cool place, and cut back one-half of its growth. This might induce a change.

Astilbe Japonica—Potted Spirea—Mrs. C. C. Anacker, Wisconsin—The potted spirea, or properly named Astilbe Japonica, belongs to our hardy herbaceous plants and makes one of the finest of the hardy bordering plants. They do not require any particular attention, and in any good garden soil in a well-made border they will give conspicuous masses of bloom all summer. The name spirea is generally used in a broad term, as the beautiful white-flowered bushy herbaceous plant grown indoors at Easter time is properly called Astilbe.

(2) **Cyclamen**—Cyclamen seed should be sown indoors in the late summer or early fall in boxes of finely sifted soil, and the plants will be of fine blooming size the next winter. The seedlings grow easily, and after the leaves form, at no time should the plants suffer for want of transplanting and repotting, for if the roots dry off at any time, retarding the growth, the plants will not develop properly and will appear stunted and will give unsatisfactory results as to blooming.

Plant Insects—Mrs. Ben Sprunger, Indiana—For insects that eat the foliage, such as you mention, a spraying of arsenate of lead will be found effective. It can be used in the open sun. You can get it at your druggist and the plants can be sprayed in the open sun. Be sure to treat it, however, as deadly poison. The red spider is the result of a hot, dry atmosphere; treat by spraying or syringing with a strong solution of Ivory soap.

(2) **Amaryllys**—Plant the amaryllys out of doors in a cool, partially shaded location; allow it to open up fairly well, by keeping it on the dry side, and after two or three weeks allow it to grow natural. Keep it in the pot when plunged out of doors, and the soil need not be changed in the fall.

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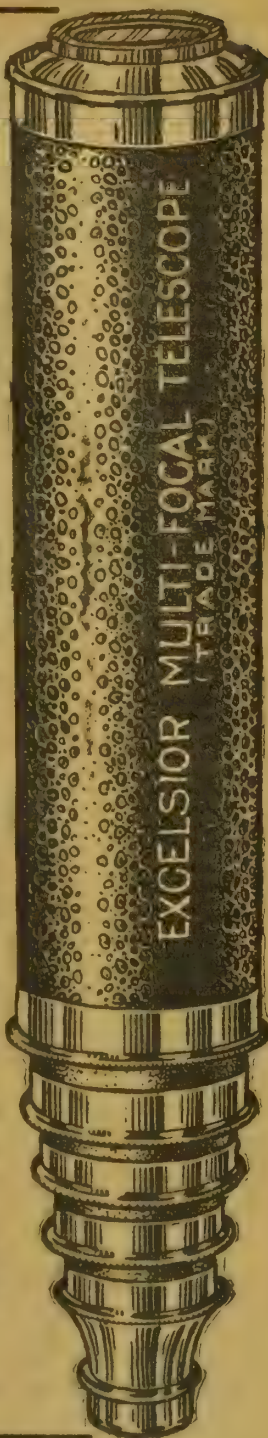
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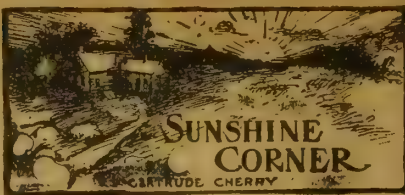


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A WORD OF CHEER.

I would flood your path with sunshine,
I would fence you from all ill,
I would crown you with all blessings,
If I could but have my will.
Aye, but human love may err, dear,
And a power all wise is near,
So I only pray God bless you,
And God keep you through the year.

As hot weather is making us all seek cool places, and those who can afford it are enjoying themselves at summer resorts, let us try harder than ever to send cheer to the shut-ins who are not permitted to leave their beds or rooms. Think how they would enjoy the cool air, too. Now is the time when a dime would buy some ice to quench the burning fever, or some fruit, or something they would enjoy. We ask you most earnestly to not forget them.

We are always glad to have new members join our Household Journal Sunshine Branch, and all we ask of you is to promise that you will do all you can to answer the appeals made in our Sunshine Corner, that you will let us hear from you once a year as to what work you are doing, that you will be a loyal member to our Society, sending us names of worthy shut-ins when you know of any, and do all you can to spread cheer. If you can do these things, we ask you to send a two-cent stamp for membership card. Send direct to Mrs. Cherry, President of the Household Journal Sunshine Branch. The address is always given at the head of Sunshine Corner.

The Sixteenth Annual Convention of the International Sunshine Society was held May 21st to 24th at Altoona, Pa. The Sunshine delegations came from all over the country. The New York delegation, representing general headquarters at New York City, local and state Branches, and the International Sunshine departments, left the city in a special car. They were joined, en route, by delegates from Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Other delegates came from California, Minnesota, Missouri, Texas, Canada, Maine, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

One thousand and forty-nine Branches were represented at the convention by delegates or reports.

The formal address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. Robert A. Henderson, president of the Altoona Sunshine Branch. The president-general and founder of the International Sunshine Society, Mrs. Cynthia W. Alden, responded with thanks and appreciation, following her response with her annual report to the society. Among the suggestions contained in her address was a recommendation that yearly charters be given by the society to all Branches as they enroll for the new fiscal year. Other suggestions were that each Branch give ten per cent of its general fund to the

Society, as annual dues, until the mother office in New York has met all the financial obligations of the general Society; that Boys' Brigades be formed in every possible locality; that each Branch have an established feature of Sunshine endeavor.

Reports followed. These were given by the officers at Headquarters, followed by two-minute reports from the delegates.

In the afternoon of the 21st the Hon. S. H. Walker, mayor of the city, was then introduced, and delivered a splendid address, welcoming the Sunshiners to the city and its homes.

"The two institutions already established by this Society are known as the Dyker Heights Blind Babies' Home, Eighty-fourth Street and Thirteenth Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., where the New York City blind children are cared for in two cottages, which are filled to their capacity and for which the city now pays a dollar a day for each child it sends there. It only accommodates twenty-five children and is now full.

"The second is the Arthur Sunshine Home for the Blind, a larger institution maintained by the International Sunshine Society at Summit, N. J. Here the New Jersey children have the first place and the children of any state in the Union find the doors open to them. There are forty-one children in this home this year."

At the afternoon session of the 21st Mrs. Vera Tolley, of Los Angeles, was introduced to the convention and extended an invitation to the International Sunshine Society to hold the next meeting in California. Other invitations were received, but owing to the many conventions meeting in California next year, it was decided to accept the invitation to meet there.

After reports from all the states and Branches were given, resolutions passed and committees appointed, the work of the convention closed at one o'clock on the third day, and the remainder of the afternoon was given over to sightseeing and a trip to the mountain was enjoyed by the delegates who did not have to leave for their homes.

Mrs. Henderson was the recipient of a beautiful pin from the officers of the International Society as a remembrance of the convention held in Altoona, which depended so largely on the local president for its success.

We hope many of our Household Journal Sunshiners will be able to attend the convention in 1915 in Los Angeles, and meet these splendid officers of the different states and at Headquarters. Begin now to plan to go.

WHERE TO SEND CHEER.

Miss Sibyl Pharis, the young girl who was burned, is visiting with relatives in Illinois during the summer. She will appreciate any little cheer sent her way. Address her in care of Harl A. Cockrum, R. F. D. 1, Mulkeytown, Ill.

Miss Fannie B. Leeson, now of 209 South Swain Street, Raleigh, N. C., has been an invalid for years. She lives with her aged father. They are very poor and any aid sent to her to pay toward having some one to help take care of her would be very much appreciated.

Please do not forget our shut-in, Mrs. James Kelley, 145 Livingston Avenue, Albany, N. Y. Mrs. Kelley is all alone in the world and lives in two rooms. Her sight is rapidly growing worse. She suffers all the time. She is still living off the money collected from our readers, as this is her only means of support.

We have received the sad news that Mr. Wm. Moore, of Hampton, Fla., died the last of April. He is the father of Cleone Moore, for whom we have asked cheer, also for the poor, suffering mother, who has been helpless for years. We do not know what they will do without the kind father who was the support, although he was unable to work for several

months before his death. They are such worthy people, and if you ever wanted to do a kind act, now is your opportunity to give to this widow and child, who are so needy. Little Cleone is only fifteen years old and she has cared for her mother and done the housework since ten years old. She needs our sympathy and love and help. Write to them as soon as you read this and show them that "Sunshine" has not forgotten them. The mother suffers constantly and cannot lift her head from her pillow, in fact cannot move. Imagine the heavy cares thrown on this poor child, who is far from strong.

We trust that the Sunshiners will not forget Miss Dolly Rose, Manchester, Ohio, Adams County. She never asks for aid, but we know that a "mite" would help to buy ice or milk during these hot days, as well as some little dainties. She lies flat on her back in a wheel-chair and has not moved from this position for nearly twenty-five years.

Mr. W. T. Harrah, Backus, W. Va., L. B. 16, asks for a little aid from the Sunshiners. In 1901 he had his back broken and has been helpless ever since. He has three small motherless children to support. On the 12th of May his cow got into a swamp and died before she was found, and he says he does not know what to do without milk and butter, as it is about all they had toward a living. He asks the Sunshiners to come to his rescue and send mites toward getting a new one. Will you help? Send direct to him.

Mrs. M. A. Strickland, Union City, Mich., R. F. D. 4, has been confined to her bed about thirty years. She suffers all the time. Her husband is old and suffers from asthma. They have very little to live on, and she needs medicine and little comforts. They have no one to help them, as wages are so high and help so scarce. She asks for a letter, silver and stamp shower on her birthday, July 29th. She gets very, very lonesome and wants to write to some of the shut-ins. So please do not forget her. She says she was forgotten at Easter and Christmas.

NOTICE TO SHUT-INS.

If your name has not been on our cheer list for some time, and you still wish to be remembered, please drop us a card. We have a great many names, but many never send us any word whether they want cheer or not, and we do not wish to bother you if you do not care for it. We are wanting to revise our shut-in book and would like to know if you want your name on our list. New shut-ins must send a written reference from doctor and minister. These must be written by the doctor or minister and not merely the names sent to us, for we have no time to hunt up references.

LIMB BRACES WANTED.

Miss Nellie Eppes, of Bland Lake, Texas, who was accidentally shot several years ago, and has been confined to her wheel-chair since, writes that she needs a new pair of limb braces, so she can rest herself by standing on her feet a little at a time. Her old ones are worn out and the brace maker says he can make her a new pair for \$20.00. Her mother is a widow and has to go out and work each day. Any help toward getting these will be greatly appreciated. Send money direct to Miss Eppes.

BRIGHT TOMORROWS.

Though your life has many sorrows,
And is often far from gay,
Try to find the bright tomorrows
That may come around your way.

APPRECIATION.

Mrs. E. A. Berry, of 124 West Piedmont Street, Keyser, W. Va., greatly appreciates everything sent to cheer her. She was especially made happy on her birthday when Sunshiners remembered her so well. She thanks all, and especially the one who sent her the beautiful bow.

Miss Frank E. Whitney, of Mexico, N. Y., was greatly surprised when she received a "Wonder Bag" for her birthday. Some failed to put in addresses, and she is very sorry, for she would like to send a letter of thanks to each. She says, "Surely it was very sweet of you all. Could you see deep in my heart you would know the cheer and joy it has and will bring me daily, and how thoroughly I appreciate the loving kindness of you all."

Miss Ann Curless, who has been at the County Home in Maryville, Mo., sends a note of appreciation through a young lady, as she cannot write. She thanks each one who sent her cheery letters and rolls of quilt pieces. Some time ago she made a plea for Miss Curless, asking for orders for quilt work, as she wanted to make enough to keep her from being buried in the potters' field. She pieces quilts very reasonably. She is not as well as usual, so perhaps she would not be able to do the work, but you could find out by writing her.

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Mrs. H. C. White, of 1700 Beach Street, Pine Bluff, Ark., wants to thank each one who contributed toward buying the wheel-chair for Miss Sibyl Pharis, the young girl who was terribly burned and made helpless for the rest of her life. Before enough money had been raised by Mrs. White, the friends of the girl where she lived bought the chair, so Mrs. White intended then to take the money and get some new clothes for Sibyl. But when Mrs. White wrote to her and told her about little Wilbur Thompson, who has not been able to walk since Christmas day, and also mentioned about get-

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ting the clothes for her, she told her that she could get along without the clothes for a while and she would rather that the money would go toward getting the wheel-chair for the little fellow. His mother is a widow with several children and tries to support the little family by taking in plain sewing. Mrs. White is now making an effort to get enough money for the wheel-chair for Wilbur, who is only thirteen years old. His address is now 1518 Walnut Street, Pine Bluff, Ark. Mrs. White writes that he was made so happy over the cheer sent to him through the Journal.

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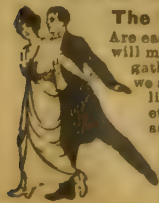
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Nor shout and scream with noisy fun,
Nor climb an apple tree.
She always kept her hair in curl—
When mamma was a little girl.

When mamma was a little girl
(It seems to her, you see),
She never used to tumble down,
Nor break her doll, nor tear her gown,
Nor drink her papa's tea.
She learned to knit "plain," "seam," and "purl,"
When mamma was a little girl.

But gran'ma says—it must be true—
"How fast the seasons o'er us whirl!"
Your mamma, dear, was just like you,
When she was grandma's little girl!"

Fruits for breakfast

In southern climes where luscious fruitage flourishes freely, the inhabitants live to a great extent upon fruits and vegetable food, which gives them a splendid physical development. Much has been written of late upon the value of fresh fruit as food, and competent authorities among progressive physicians and scientists of the times agree in insisting upon the use of fruit, especially as an introduction to the morning meal.

In the ripening time of the year a great variety of fruit is obtainable, and if daintily served at table will save the housewife much labor of preparing food.

In the summer, blackberries are delicious as a morning refreshment. Select perfectly ripe berries, wash them and drain, and serve in small glass dishes with sugar and whipped cream, or plain cream or milk. Arrange raspberries in a large glass dish and serve without sugar. Each person can use sugar and cream according to individual taste.

Medicine chest in the home may save many doctor bills

The omission to keep a medicine chest in the home, especially where there are children, frequently entails serious consequences. A collection of simple remedies it is absolutely impossible to get along without.

Time after time little accidents occur which, given the necessary remedy, could have prompt and effective treatment. Bruises; cuts, sprains, find many households unprepared with arnica, cold cream, boracic ointment, linen for bandages, court plaster and other necessities.

Then the simple medicines for simple diseases are often lacking also, and this is liable to bring about serious illnesses where children are concerned. With little ones, trifling ailments are apt to develop into things more serious if not taken in time.

Here is a list of things which should be found in every family medicine chest: Absorbent cotton and old linen that has been boiled for bandages, senna leaves and castor oil, boracic acid, smelling salts, linseed oil, glycerine, tincture of iodine,

essence of peppermint, and last, but not least, a measuring glass and a clinical thermometer.

Where there are children be sure to keep the medicine chest locked, for the little people cannot be trusted to play with its contents. There have been cases of children swallowing poisonous liniments before now through carelessness in leaving these dangerous remedies within their reach.

Marshmallow pudding

This is a frozen pudding that is delicious. Cut a cupful of marshmallows in small pieces and heat them in a boiler until they are soft. Add half a cupful of pecan meats and half a cupful of blanched almonds, both chopped coarse. Heat a cupful of milk, half a cupful, scant, of sugar, a piece of cinnamon, a whole clove and two tablespoonfuls of powdered gelatine, softened in half a cupful of milk. Beat the yolks of four eggs, pour the hot mixture on them, cook in a double boiler until the mixture is smooth and creamy, and pour through a fine wire sieve. Pour into a bowl and beat with an egg beater until the custard is cold. Then add the marshmallow mixture and a cupful of whipped cream. Pour in a mold and pack in salt and ice. Let stand three and a half or four hours.

To remove tomato skins

It is not necessary to put tomatoes into hot water to remove the skins easily. Take the tomato and with the paring knife scrape the tomato over on the outside, touching all parts, and then peel it. You will find that the skin will slide right off, leaving the tomato firm. If tomatoes are used for salad, it saves cooling them off again, as in the old way of using hot water. In scraping the tomato, not much pressure is required, and it can be done in less time than it takes to tell it.

Household hints

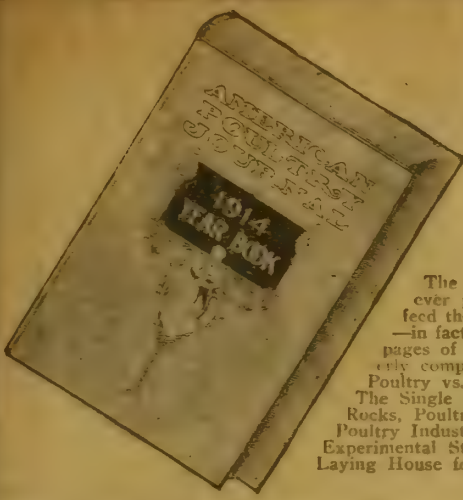
The secret of washing with kerosene added to whiten the clothes is to use hot water for the rinsing. This also removes every trace of odor and leaves the garments white.

The best way to clean the bean pot. Fill with cold water, put in some kind of washing powder, and cover tight. Put on the stove and let come to a boil. This will make it easy to wash.

Ivory knife handles which have yellowed may be whitened by soaking them in alum water which has been boiled. The water must be allowed to cool and the ivory should be left soaking for an hour. Then brush them with a nail brush and dry thoroughly with a soft towel.

No doubt every housewife knows she should not break the skin of the beet roots before boiling, or they will be almost white instead of a nice deep red. Perhaps all do not know that if the raw beet root should be bruised or broken a touch with a red-hot poker will form a new skin.

In ironing aprons the band and strings are done first. Next the hem, and then the body of the apron. It would seem as though it would not matter how an article were ironed as long as it were smoothed all over, but it does. To do it the right way saves time, because if done the wrong way, very often one portion of the garment becomes wrinkled, and so has to be ironed all over again, and, besides, the linen will wear better when ironed correctly. Edges, too, will be even, making the article slightly when folded away.



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Jest as I hed expected, he begun to back off.

"Well, what in tunkin's your gret resh?" says he. "I hain't so sure I want to make my will jest yit."

"You've already made it," says I. "Ephr'm Bowers, don't you dast to go back on what you said this mornin'."

Says he, sneerin'ly:

"Tain't down in black an' white, an' you've nuthin' pertickler to prove it."

"I hev Hiram Skeels an' Priscilly Rasher to prove it by," says I. "They heerd you say thet ef I wuz spared the Putney farm wuz to be mine, as well as a big sheer in the home place. An' I'm spared, an' I'll hev my rights!"

"Shucks!" says he. "They couldn't testify fer you. In the first place, Hiram bein' a little deaf 'ud go agin him, an' they wuz both too bad skeered, noway, to recollect a little thing like thet bein' said."

"A little thing like thet!" says I, in scornful tones, "when it tuk a airthquake to drag thet promise out o' you, an' as soon as the airth quit shakin' you want to back out o' your word." An' says I, in low an' warnin' tones, "Ephr'm Bowers, you needn't to think you're done with airthquakes yit. There's more of 'em prophesied fer November, an' all the signs o' the Kodiak p'int to gret disturbances in the airth."

"Well," says he, whinin'ly, "you skart me into it, Marthy. You tuk advantage of me."

Well, I wuz thet mad I riz right up off'n my cheer, an' says I:

"Who wuz it thet screeched out, 'Marthy, I'm goin' to be tuk as my great-granddad wuz,' an' in the next breath said, 'Marthy, the Putney farm is yours if you're spared, an' a big sheer in the home place, too?' An', Ephr'm Bowers, you said it o' your own free will, an' you know it! I hedn't said a word to you."

Says he, seein' he wuz caught, "All right; hev it your way. Ef I did say it, it wuz out o' the goodness o' my heart, wantin' to pervide fer you in case you wuz left a widdier this mornin'. Give me credit fer thet, Marthy. But as long's I wuz spared, an' I'm able to make a livin', I see no resh 'bout my deedin' thet property over to you."

Well, I see 'twan't no use to argy any more with him, so I kep' still; but I says to myself, "I hain't done with this thing yit. He'll come to it afore long."

'Bout a week after this, I hed Elder Jenkins an' his wife an' a few o' the neighbors in to eat turkey dinner with me an' Ephr'm. We hed a real nice, sociable, chatty time, the men-folks talkin' on the crops, an' us wimmen about the airthquake. After dinner I says to the elder, says I:

"Now, I want you to give me your idee on death-bed promises, elder. What would you think of a man thet 'ud promise some property to his wife when he 'lowed he wuz goin' to die, an' then when he didn't die, tuk it all back?"

I looked out o' the corner o' my eye, an' I seen Ephr'm wuz lookin' toward me awful savage, but I never let on, an' jest looked camly at the elder. After mediatin' fer a minute or so, the elder says to me, says he:

"Mis' Bowers, you've guve me a hard subject to tackle; but I'll tell you, accordin' to my idee, there hain't many things in this world thet has made as much trouble between man an' his wife as this here

money question. I've knowed men an' wimmen to separate jest because one or 'tother of 'em hed a little property left 'em. An' ef they didn't go apart they'd be contin'ally hagglin' an' clashin' till there wa'n't no more peace in their homes than you'd find in a hornet's nest. But to git d'rectly at your question, Mis' Bowers, a man ort to keep a promise, no matter what it's about, whether he makes it on his death-bed or anywheres else."

"Yes," says I, "thet's my idee, elder. I do set great store by promises, an' espeshully the kind I wuz speakin' of."

"Well," says the elder, "thet's all very well, Mis' Bowers; but jest let me tell you never to let any money matters come in between you an' Mr. Bowers, fer it'll end in a fuss ef you do. An' you an' Mr. Bowers hev allays got along so peaceful, I'd hate to ever see you a-wranglin'. I call to mind jest now Jacob Risler an' his wife. You know there never wuz a happier pair than them two. Well, after they got pretty well along in years, Mis' Risler's uncle died an' left her a few thousand dollars, an' it reely 'peared to put Satan into the woman."

"Of course, it made her feel exceedin' independent, hev'n' thet money, an' she jest run things with a high hand. She kep' tryin' to git Jacob to deed his property over to her, sayin' she wanted ev'rything in her name; but Jacob wouldn't do no sech thing, an' he told her so. Well, the end of it wuz, she left him an' went back to Kansas an' lived with her son-in-law—poor feller. Now, you see, thet few thousand dollars jest wrecked thet man's home. As quick as the money come, the peace an' happiness flew out the winder. To my mind, Mis' Bowers, the best thing fer a body is to be sat'fied with what they hev, an' not be contin'ally graspin' fer more."

"Well," says I, "elder, you've set me to thinkin' considerable. I'm afereed I've been dretful selfish an' overbearin' toward Ephr'm; but I'm goin' to mend my ways. I kin and I will. An' I'm truly obleeged to you, elder, fer openin' my eyes."

I scurce need to tell you thet after my eye-openin' there wuz no more argyin' about property.

One afternoon not long after I'd turned over my new leaf, Aunt Melindy Becket dropped in an' sot a spell with me. I reckon there hain't a soul in our neighborhood thet don't like Aunt Melindy. She's jest one o' the best wimmen a-livin', always doin' a good turn fer somebody. Well, we got to talkin' about the doins of Providence, an' how hard it wuz to understand it sometimes. An' Mis' Becket, says she:

"Mis' Bowers, sometimes I most cuvy you your home an' your good husband. When a body's left a widdier, an' hezn't a child in the world, it do 'pear like there hain't much left to live fer. But I'd give a good deal, Mis' Bowers, to live over a few years o' my life. Knowin' all thet I do now, I'd be a great deal better wife to Ezra ef he wuz livin' now. All you're a mind to do fer a body after they're dead ain't a-goin' to make up fer what you left undone while you hed 'em with you."

Now, before I hed seen Aunt Melindy, I 'lowed I wuz doin' my whole duty by Ephr'm, an' thet I couldn't be no better to him. But after the talk she give me, I see thet I wuzn't up to her idee of bein' good to my husband, by no means; so I put forth my best efforts, an' begun improvin'. By an' by I hed reached the p'int in my own mind where I could say:

"I don't want the Putney farm." I said this over to myself time an' agin, to see ef I wuz reely honest in it; an' then I begun to think about tellin' Ephr'um that I didn't want it. I hed to strive with myself a liddle when it come to thet pint. It wuz harder'n I'd expected. But when Ephr'um come in to dinner, 'toter noon, I up an' told him that I didn't want the Putney farm, an' fer him to keep it in his own name; an' says I:

"Ephr'um, I hev been graspin' an' overbearin' long enough. Elder Jenkins hez opened my eyes, an' Aunt Melindy Becket hez opened my heart; an' between the two of 'em I'm a better woman."

"Oh, Marthy!" says Ephr'um, "you're too hard on yourself. It's me thet's been overbearin' an' selfish. I kin see it now, plain's day. I'd never want a better wife than you've been to me, Marthy; but I hain't acted much like it here lately, I'm afeared."

Thet wuz all he said, but I knowed it meant lots when Ephr'um said it. I felt as ef a big weight hed rolled off'n my heart after I'd owned up to Ephr'um; an' while I wuz a-doin' up my dinner dishes, I'd ketch myself a-singin' liddle scraps o' love songs an' sich, 'till I wuz most ashamed o' myself fer bein' so frivolous.

Twa'n't but a few days after this 'til Ephr'um come in one night, an' says he:

"Marthy, hain't this your birthday?"

Well, I stopped to figger up, an' come to find out it wuz. Then says he, slingin' a big envelop into my lap:

"Here's a liddle present fer you; I hope you'll enjoy it." An' so sayin', he laughed to hisself an' went out to the kitchen.

I pulled my cheer up to the winder, so's I could see, it bein' so nigh dusk, an' there, in big writin' on thet envelop wuz, "Last will an' testymment of Ephr'um Bowers." An' ef you'll believe me, when I opened thet envelop it hed the deed to thet Putney farm in it, sayin' the farm wuz mine as long's I lived, an' to do as I pleased with when I died. I leaned back in my cheer to recover myself a liddle, an' Ephr'um come to the door, an' says he:

"Does ev'rything suit you, Marthy?"

Then says I, gittin' my wits together, "Ephr'um, this is too much; I can't take it."

"But," says he, "it's yours now. I've give it to you, an' I won't take it back, Marthy."

I see he wuz firm, so I give in; 'twa'n't very hard fer me, but I tried to think it wuz.

Thet evenin', while we wuz settin' at the supper table, Ephr'um looked across at me, an' says he:

"Well, Marthy, it tuk a airthquake to make us fuss. It wuz one o' them fam'ly jors, sure enough."

"Yes," says I, "it shuk up my good traits and your generosity, an' the outcome wuz thet the Putney farm changed hands."



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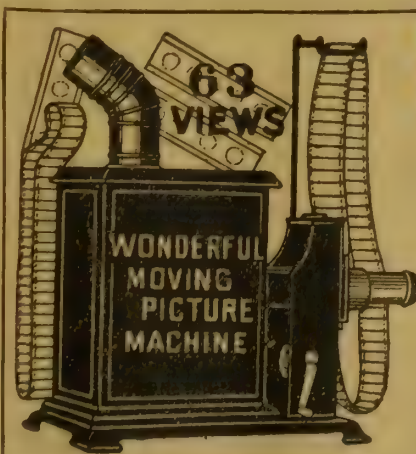
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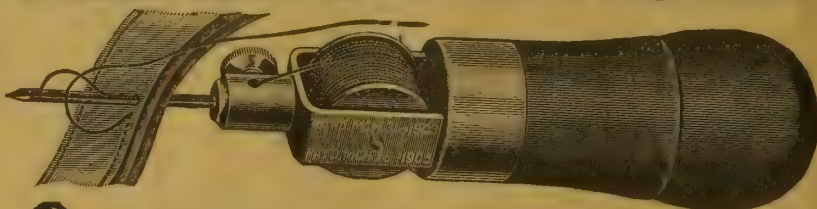
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5. Each member of the clan singled out his foe.
6. Last night I received a packet from England.
7. I will take a nap, lest I fall asleep in church.

—Edwin Terry, Texas.

No. 2—SQUARE

1. Aristocratic. 2. A constellation. 3. A intolerant and illiberal adherent of a religious creed. 4. Slack. 5. To penetrate.

—Dew, Maryland.

No. 3—SQUARE

1. A fruit. 2. Necessary to make good. 3. A fruit. 4. Parts of animals. 5. Beheaded leaves something robins seen in the spring.

—Anna Githens, Colorado.

No. 4—SQUARE

1. A necessity in the home. 2. The name of one of the months. 3. A food necessary to life. 4. A word that means the same as alliance. One who is older.

—Grace Arnold, Missouri.

ANSWERS TO MAY PUZZLES

No. 1—Tobacco. Oatmeal. Cornflakes. Snuff. Candy. Apples. Tomatoes. Salt. Sardines. Flour.

No. 2—
Trenton.
Augusta.
Chicago.
Omaha.
Mobile.
Ardmore.

No. 3—C-ouch. P-earl. B-ed. C-lock.

No. 4—See. Tea. Vat. Asia. Live. Enc. Nine. Tide. Ivy. Net. Even. Date. And. Yes.

No. 5—Rain, ran; pole, Poe; hole, hoe; date, ale; camber, amber.

MAY PRIZE WINNERS

Best list, Leontine Andrews, 1218 Fifth Street, Escanaba, Mich.

Second best list, Miss Lulu Mears, Route 2 Norfolk, Va.

Third best list, Miss Edna E. Adams, R. F. D. No. 3, Black Creek, N. Y.

Best square puzzle, Edgar L. Nance, Cleveland, Tenn.

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"But I didn't hold your hand."
"Then who did?"

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"How do you do, Johnny?" said he. "How's your pig today?"

"Oh, pretty well, thank you," replied the boy. "How's all your folks?"

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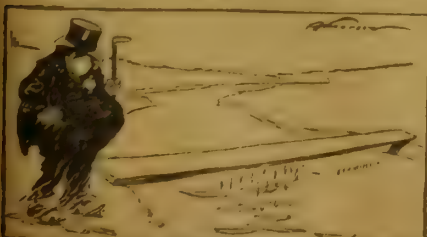
"Oh, yes," drawled the mountaineer. "I know of him. I was locked up in my cabin here by the snow two winters ago and I only had two books to read the whole five months—your book, sir," he said, turning to Mr. Bacheller, "and the Bible, and I read them through several times."

"Indeed!" said the author, a smile of satisfaction wreathing his face.

"Yes, sir," continued the old mountaineer, "and I never knew before how interesting the Bible was."

If you were busy being glad
And cheering people who are sad,
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Hostess—"So your baby brother can talk now."

Bobbie—"Oh, yes; he can say some words real well."

Hostess—"What words are they?"

Bobbie—"I don't know. They're words I never heard before."

"Atkins," said the sergeant, angrily, "why haven't you shaved this morning?"

"Ain't I shaved?" asked Atkins, in apparent surprise.

"No, you're not!" insisted the sergeant. "And I want to know why."

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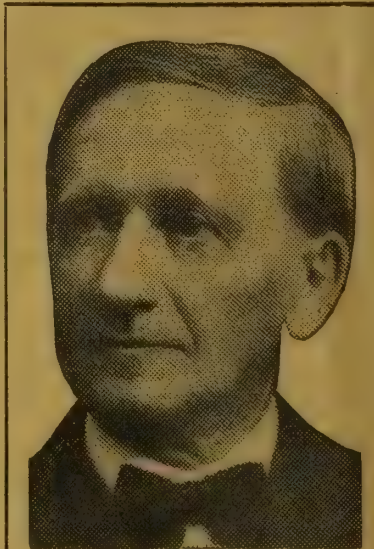
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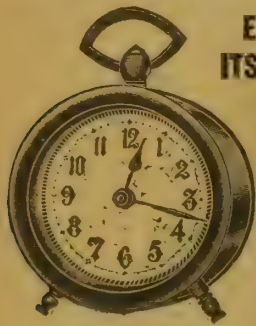
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Remember the Birthdays Crowd into the home life everything that will leave a bright picture on memory's wall. Observe birthdays, anniversaries and home-comings with pleasant festivities. In the after years, when the children are scattered, they will look back with the fondest remembrances of the childhood's home, and from that they will pattern when they set up their own home. Sad, indeed, are those who grow to womanhood and manhood with only the remembrance that home was only a place of hard work, unkind words and incivilities of all kinds. Respect shown to a child will bear rich reward in the feeling of kindness toward the giver.

The Cost of a Great Curse We think that a great deal of gold and silver is being mined, and so there is, but the fact is that all the gold mined in our nation's best year for mining would not pay twelve days of the drink bill of the nation. And yet, men will go on pouring out their millions at the saloons for death and misery and will complain of low wages and the high cost of living. We talk of silver as though it were a rather important item, and yet all the silver mined in our whole country in the year 1910 would not pay the nation's drink bill for five days. And yet, men will pour their money into the saloon and then complain because they are so ground down by the hard times, when they would have no hard times if they did not give the liquor crowd such good times. While it is well, once in a while, to look at the dollars and cents of a great vice and crime, it is necessary to remember that there are other matters that press upon our attention just as strenuously, and far more so. There is the destruction of character; there is the misery and degradation of home and family life; there is the moral and physical deterioration of the race; there is the sinking of the soul into perdition. There is nothing in the whole liquor traffic that is not a cause of sorrow to those who are prudent in mind and good in heart.

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POOR AGNES, By Ida Rowland
A MODERN CINDERELLA STORY

"SAMUEL, beware of the viddars," quoted Charlie Hayward, looking in the direction of a couple who were pacing back and forth on the terrace. His companion turned to look also, and her eyes filled with tears. Still even then she thought what a handsome couple they were—her brother, Dr. Hugh Brayton, and the widow Dean, her delicate blonde beauty enhanced by her black attire.

"Why, Cecil, you are not jealous?"
"No," she cried, passionately, "I would rejoice to have Hugh marry if I thought he would be happy. I distrust her. She is too sweet. I feel as if there were something behind that angelic smile we would not like."

"Who is she?"
"Cousin Louise met her at a summer resort in the mountains. She was supposed to be recruiting her health after weeks of anxious watching by the side of her children, who had been sick with scarlet fever. She talks very pathetically about her anxiety and love for them, before Hugh. He is fond of children. Well, Louise wrote and asked if she might bring her here, dwelling at length upon her loveliness and troubles, and of course I said yes. I find that she takes pains to find out about the fortune Uncle Hugh left us last year, and believe that it is the money she is anxious to win."

"Then you think her an adventurer?"

"No, not exactly. I do not think her worthy of our noble Hugh, who deserves to be loved for himself alone. He has lived unmarried all these years for the sake of us younger children, and now that he is able to marry, I want him to find one of those rarely good women you read about. I would not have believed he would have been so foolish over a pretty face."

"Hugh is sensible enough on other matters. Why does he not read between the lines as you do?"

Cecil laughed a little contemptuously. "The usual blindness of lovers prevents, I suppose. I dare not speak to him, but I believe that if those children were sick she did not nurse them; that she has fled to avoid danger to herself, and left them to the care of the sister whom she calls poor Agnes. She fears to leave her till

Hugh has been secured, for she knows I dislike her. I have studied her well. She is a thoroughly selfish woman. A nature such as Hugh's would suffer untold misery if linked with such a woman. You are an old friend, Charlie, and it relieves me to tell some one my feelings."

"If I can help you—"
"You cannot, but I hope and pray that something will happen to open Hugh's eyes."

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Out on the terrace Mrs. Dean's trailing black robe seemed to catch the perfume of the flowers as it swept over them.

marred her life I think. She rarely goes out in society, but she is very kind and good."

"You think well of every one, Mrs. Dean," and he took in his the soft, white hand that hung at her side so near his own. His eloquent eyes told her what was coming. She had dared much to win this prize, and trembled now that it seemed so near, for fear fate would snatch it from her. Just then some one called:

"Hugh, Winnie is sick; will you come as soon as you can?"

The spell was broken, and excusing himself he hastened to the house, leaving the pretty widow with her white hands tightly clenched and a look in her eyes that boded no good to Cecil Brayton.

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In a darkened chamber many miles away two watchers bent over the pillow of a little boy who was tossing and muttering in delirium. One was an old physician who had known and loved the child from birth; the other his aunt, who had been a mother to him. The doctor was looking at her now rather than the boy, and a shadow of pain crossed his face as he saw how pale and thin she had grown in these weary, anxious weeks. The boy at last sank into a quiet sleep, and they crossed the room to where a little girl lay asleep on a couch.

"She is out of danger now," he said. "I wish I could say the same of little Harry. Agnes, what reply did your sister make to your letter?"

"She cannot come for a day or so."

"You mean will not," he said, knitting his brows in anger. "If there ever was a heartless being on earth, it is Grace Dean."

Agnes raised her hand in mute appeal.

"Yes, I know you will shield her. You have given up your life to her and hers without a murmur. When years ago you put out the flames that threatened her life, and received the scars that would have marred her beauty, so it has been always. You have stood before her and taken her burdens when you might have had a pretty home of your own."

"I love them! they have been no burden. You can read her note. I hardly glanced at anything but the first few lines.



"I think the child is better."

There was a subtle fascination to Dr. Brayton about this childlike woman, with appealing looks in her large, blue eyes. "Poor child, how young she is to have suffered so much. She needs a protector who will be kind and generous," he thought as he listened while she artlessly talked to him of her children and her anxiety about them.

"Your sister must have been a great help to you," he said, gently.

"Yes, poor Agnes—sighing deeply. Then seeing his inquiring look she said, "I have got into the habit of speaking of her so. She was badly burned when a young girl. Her face is scarred. It has

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She probably has a good reason for staying away."

He took the letter in silence, but his frown deepened as he read:

"Dear Agnes:—I hope to be able to leave here in a day or so. If you knew how much our future happiness depended upon my remaining, you would not urge me. If I thought Harry was really in any danger of course I would come, although you know very well I would be of no earthly use. I never could bear to be in a sick room. You are so fussy and are always imagining something dreadful is going to happen to them. Dr. Brayton is fond of children and very wealthy. I have reason to believe that he means to offer himself soon. He is a terrible bore—one of your serious kind—but I shall like his money very well, and mean to marry him. I have to laugh when I think what his consternation will be when he finds that he has caught a butterfly—lovely, but useless. At present I am a very simple, artless child. It's very becoming, I assure you. I don't love him, but it's too good a chance to lose. In haste,

"GRACE."

Dr. Fuller's face was a study when he finished the letter, and as little Harry moved just then, and Agnes flew to his side, he coolly put it in his pocket, thinking to himself, "If it is Hugh Brayton, the boy I used to know, I will save him."

Mrs. Dean was right when she said that Dr. Brayton was ready to propose. He had resolved to write the declaration, and was just about to do so one morning, when the mail was brought to his study. Among his letters was a bulky one from an old friend, and when he had read its contents his feelings would have been hard to describe. I will only give an extract from it:

"In the old days when we were in college you were, to some extent, my charge, and I have always felt an interest in your welfare, and watched your course with pride. I cannot let a man who has carved out his path so nobly make a mistake now that will embitter his whole life."

Then followed the story of the two sitters, and the letter written by one of them, with the history of how it came

into his possession. When Dr. Brayton had finished reading it he was pale with emotion. If this were true, what an escape he had made. He was not a man to believe anything without thorough investigation. He felt that it was impossible that she could have written that heartless letter. Hastily consulting a time table, he prepared for a journey, and soon left the house, leaving word for Cecil where he had gone, and that Dr. Fuller wished to consult with him.

It was two days before Mrs. Dean discovered where he had gone, and that Dr. Fuller was his friend. She knew then that all her scheming had been in vain. She felt ashamed to go home now, and very sure that the children would do as well without her. So she packed her trunk and accepted an invitation where she heard there was an eligible widower, much to Cecil's relief.

A slender figure in a soft, gray dress, a sweet, oval face framed in wavy hair, was what Dr. Brayton saw as he entered the sick room with his friend, and was introduced to Agnes Moreland. When she raised her head he saw the clear, earnest eyes, so trustful and true. Then he noticed the scar on her cheek, but forgot it as she smiled and said, softly:

"I think the child is better."

Such a sweet mouth, with its sad, tremulous smile. A face to be trusted, a heart to be relied upon always.

In a few days little Harry was out of danger, but still Dr. Brayton lingered with his friend. In the moments he spent with the child he learned to know and reverence the noble woman who had been faithful to them, and returned home a happier man.

Having occasion to repeat his visit several times during the coming year, he one day met Mrs. Dean, who had secured the wealthy widower, and was pleased to find that he could look into those azure eyes and smile at his past folly.

When at last he won the woman he truly loved, the one who had proved herself so worthy to be loved, he whispered as he drew her to him:

"Not poor Agnes, now, thank God. It shall be happy, beloved Agnes, forever."

WAKING GRANDMA

Mamma said, "Little one, go and see if grandmother's ready to come to tea."
I knew I mustn't disturb her, so
I stepped as gently along tiptoe,
And stood a moment to take a peep—
And there was grandmother fast asleep.

I knew it was time for her to wake,
I thought I'd give her a little shake,
Or tap at her door, or softly call;
But I hadn't the heart for that at all—
She looked so sweet and so quiet there,
Lying back in her high armchair,
With her dear white hair and a little smile
That means she's loving you all the while.

I didn't make a speck of noise;
I knew she was dreaming of little boys
And girls who lived with her long ago,
And then went to heaven—she had told me so.
I went up close and didn't speak
One word, but I gave her on the cheek
The softest bit of a little kiss.
Just in a whisper, then said this:

"Grandma, dear, it's time for tea."
She opened her eyes and looked at me,
And said, "Why, pet, I have just now dreamed
Of a little angel who came and seemed
To kiss me lovingly on my face"—
She pointed right at the very place.
I never told her 'twas only me—
I took her hand and went to tea.

"HEAP LAZY WHITE MAN"

The Western Indians, though not fond of work, do not approve of indolent white men. The "heap white man" is the white man who works hard, and to sit by and watch him while he toils seems to afford them never-failing pleasure.

Some young "warriors" of the Black-foot tribe sat in the shade one day, watching a group of laborers who were constructing a grade for a railroad branch in Montana. Suddenly a bicyclist, the first they had ever seen, hove in sight. He

had got off the train at the last station and was going to the fort, a little farther on.

The Indians watched the wheelman without a word until he passed from view, then they expressed their sentiments:

"No good white man," one remarked.

"No," declared another of the Indians, with great scorn. Then the first grunted:

"Heap lazy white man—sits down to walk!"—Harper's Magazine.

UNCLE NAHUM'S WEDDING

By IRVING HOLMES

Uncle Nahum Nixon was reading the paper in his back parlor. Nobody would think, to look at the simple surroundings of the unpretentious apartment, that Mr. Nahum Nixon was one of the wealthiest men in town. The carpet, it is true, was Axminster, but it had seen twenty-two good years of service, and was down to the very warp; the faded red curtains were of moreen, instead of silk damask; the old clock on the mantel was no Parisian affair of alabaster and gilt, but a substantial Connecticut timepiece that struck with a whirr, like a partridge springing out of her nest; the chairs of old-fashioned mahogany and hair-cloth stood upright against the wall; the portraits of Gen. Washington on horseback and the surrender of Cornwallis, ornamented the gay-papered walls in frames of somber gilt, and the one elegance of the apartment was a preposterous bouquet of wax flowers under a cracked glass shade.

But Uncle Nahum had remembered that furniture ever since he was a child, and he wouldn't have exchanged it for the fittings of a Parisian boudoir, or the choicest specimens of the modern East-lake pattern. He was a rich man, that was quite enough for him.

"If you please, Mr. Nixon," said the trim maid servant, "Mr. Marmaduke Bourne wants to see you, if you please, sir, if you are quite at leisure."

"Mr. Marmaduke Bourne, eh?" The old gentleman took off his spectacles and laid them upon the folded newspaper. "Ask him to come in, Polly."

And Mr. Marmaduke Bourne came in, a tall, fresh-colored young fellow, with sparkling gray eyes and a straight Greek nose, that seemed as if it had been borrowed from some ancient statue of Apollo.

"Well, sir?" said Mr. Nixon.

"Well, sir?" counter-interrogated Mr. Bourne. "Did you get my letter?"

"I got your letter," said Uncle Nahum. "So you want to marry my niece, Faith?"

"Yes, sir," valiantly acknowledged Mr. Marmaduke Bourne.

"Ah!" nodded Uncle Nahum. "But perhaps you don't understand all the facts of the case."

"The facts, sir?"

"I want my niece to marry Col. Ashland's son," slowly enunciated Uncle Nahum.

"But, sir, she don't love him."

"Pshaw!" snarled Uncle Nahum. "And if she don't marry him she will be a beggar; I will give her no money of mine. Now you understand matters. Marry her or not, as you please."

He took up the newspaper once more—a tacit intimation that the interview was at an end.

"Sir—" began Marmaduke.

"That will do," said Mr. Nixon.

"I only wish to—"

"That will do," thundered Mr. Nixon, and so Marmaduke went away.

Little Faith Nixon came downstairs presently, a blue-eyed blossom of a girl, with yellow hair growing low down on her forehead, and a very little mouth, exactly the shape to suggest the idea of kissing.

Uncle Nahum looked keenly up at her

as she fluttered about the room, straightening a table cover there or patting down a fold here.

"Yes," said he, with a curious twitch of the muscles around his eyes, "he has been here."

"I—I did not ask any question, Uncle Nahum."

"No, but your eyes did," chuckled the old man. "He wants to marry you—the improvident young donkey."

Faith came to her uncle's chair and laid her hand on his shoulder.

"That is not the worst of it, Uncle Nahum—I want to marry him."

"Humph!" snarled Mr. Nixon, in high contempt. "And what do you expect to live on, I should like to know?"

"We can both work," said Faith, bravely.

"You're more likely to starve," said Mr. Nixon. "Mind, don't count on help from me. If you will get married, you do it at your own risk."

"Then you consent, Uncle Nahum?"

"No!" roared the old bachelor. "Nothing of the sort."

"But, Uncle Nahum, I should be wretched without Duke," softly pleaded Faith.

"Fiddlestrings!" said the old man.

"And I am sure he couldn't live without me."

"Trash!" grunted Mr. Nixon.

"And if you please, Uncle," added Faith, "perhaps I'd better go to my friend Violet Smith's to make up my wedding things, since you disapprove so decidedly of my plans. She lives in New York, you know, and it will be convenient for shopping, and—"

"And for all other tomfooleries in general," rudely interrupted the old gentleman. "Yes, go to your Violet Smith's, but don't expect to come back here."

"No, Uncle," said Faith, meekly. "But you'll let me thank you for all your kindness, and—"

"No, I won't!" said Uncle Nahum, so shortly that poor Faith fled upstairs in dismay, and had a quiet little cry, notwithstanding that she was so very, very happy.

For Uncle Nahum, brusque and crabbed though he was, was all the father she had ever known. But she packed her trunk and went to Violet Smith's in New York, which was all the pleasanter, in that Marmaduke Bourne had also betaken himself to this modern Gotham and gone to work studying law as if he meant to take Coke and Blackstone by storm. And Miss Violet Smith, who was a sentimental young lady, sympathized intensely, and the young couple were as unreasonably happy as many another couple has been before, and will again.

But one day Duke Bourne came in with a face full of tidings.

"Faith," said he, "have you heard the news?"

"What news?" asked Faith.

"Your uncle will get the start of us, after all."

"What do you mean, Duke?"

"Why, he's going to be married."

"Uncle Nahum?" cried Faith, incredulously.

"Yes, uncle. That accounts for his be—"

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FAVORITE FLOWERS OF OUR READERS AND HOW THEY GROW THEM

THE GORGEOUS DAHLIA.

I have splendid success in growing the dahlia. Two years ago I planted a paper of seed in my hotbed in March, and when the plants were six inches tall I transplanted to a bed I had prepared for them by mixing old manure and leaves thoroughly with the soil. I kept the ground cultivated and the top soil loose, and watered frequently, never allowing the soil to get very dry. We don't have much, if any, rain here from June until September.

I had a lovely bed of red, white and yellow dahlias in bloom from the middle of August until frost came. When the tops were well frozen I dug them up and put in a box in the basement till spring. Then I brought to the kitchen until well started. I divided them, leaving two or three eyes or sprouts to each dahlia. I planted a bed twenty feet square that had been in blue grass for six years. I had the ground thoroughly spaded and the grass roots all taken out, and planted the dahlias three feet each way. I watered about every two and sometimes three weeks by digging a trench around each bush about a foot deep and filling with water from a hydrant in the yard, then raked the soil back and pat down tight, but kept the ground cultivated all the time. Had dahlias four feet tall and could just walk between the bushes, which were a mass of bloom until the middle of November. I had dahlias for the hospital by the dozens, for the school and for decorating wherever needed and have only saved half of the tubers for next year, giving the rest to neighbors.—Mrs. Harry Ochs, Washington.

BEST SUCCESS WAS WITH ASTERS.

Last spring I bought aster seed and sowed in a bed especially prepared for them, by sifting good garden soil, a little sand and leaf mold together. I sowed the seed on top of this, and sifted ground over just enough to cover the seed, pressed down with a board and watered them well. After they were three to four inches high I transplanted them in another bed of good soil, three inches apart, and picked off all the lower leaves near the ground, and watered them thoroughly. After they were about ten inches high I transplanted them again, sixteen inches apart in the bed prepared for them by spading up part of my lawn, and turning the sod underneath, and raking it smooth. I planted them deep and watered them over with the hose. After they started to grow, I kept all the leaves and branches that grew out near the ground, all picked off, and hilled the ground high around the plants, and sprayed them over every evening with the hose during the hot weather. And the plants grew like young trees. The flower stems on some were twenty-two inches long and the flowers four to five inches across. I counted thirty-eight full blooms on one plant, and there were no finer asters at the florist's. I sold twenty-two dozen plants at 15 cents a dozen, and \$12.60 worth of flowers. Had I charged florist's prices I would have made three times the amount, but I had not intended to have them for sale.—Minnie C. Hummel, Pennsylvania.

BEAUTIFUL SWEET PEAS.

I have had the best success with sweet peas. They are a great attraction in my neighborhood, especially with the summer visitors, on account of the size and coloring. People come to the garden for them, and I also take orders for days ahead, so I do well financially. So much for accomplishment.

My method is this: The ground is prepared in the fall. It should be made mellow and rich by deep spading and well dressed with barn dressing. Have deep trenches running north and south. I buy the best seed I can get (varieties of "Spencer"), and I get them early in the season. Here in Maine I plant them the last week in March or the first week in April, so the roots may get a good start through the cool weather. I plant them in two rows about six inches apart in the trench, one inch between the seed and one inch deep, and as they grow I fill with new earth until they are four or five inches deep. That makes good, strong stocks and long stems. I use common hen-pen wire for them to run on, put up between the rows with good, strong stays on each side. This should be put up before the plants are too large, not more than four or five inches tall. When in bloom they want to be kept moist. Of course, the blooms must be cut every day. None should be left to go to seed.—Mrs. Wm. Lawton, Maine.

ROSES IN THE SOUTH.

I have had the best success in growing hybrid perpetual-blooming roses. I had the bed in a rich red clayey soil in the sunshine. I first had the bed spaded very deep and incorporated a large quantity of old rotten stable manure and then set the two-year-old plants five feet each way. This work was done in the latter part of February. The soil was kept stirred after each rain until the last of June, when they were heavily mulched with rotten wheat straw. This conserved the moisture and they bloomed all through the summer till late autumn, when the Dinsmore was five inches across the center, John Hopper was three and one-half inches in diameter, while General Jacqueminot was very rich in color and fragrance. By being mulched they were richer in color and nearly twice the size.

The winter following this planting was a severe one, and they came through all right. Even the tender tea roses that were treated thus came through without being hurt in the least. Pillar of Gold, a climbing tea, was very rich in color, a soft blending of pink and gold, and bloomed continuously throughout the summer and fall. The same roses are still magnificent, though they are ten years old. I still keep up the same treatment of them. I rarely ever lost a single rose by following this treatment.—Mrs. Lou M. Haile, South Carolina.

AN UNUSUAL METHOD WITH ROSES.

I have best success with roses. I use tin cans, as the sun warms them better than anything else. I make an awl hole in the side one-half inch from the bottom, and put in a few pebbles. The soil I use is one-half leaf mold, the other half fine soil free from gravel. The plants are

given a thorough sprinkling each week with a plant sprinkler, as they must be kept free from dust, being as careful as I can with the open flowers, as water spots the full-blown rose. I look them over thoroughly twice each week, to make sure there is not any kind of insects on the under side of the leaves. My plants have a south window. They sit on a table level with the window, so the sun will be on the cans the same as on the plants. After danger of frost in spring, I set them just outside the window, with the afternoon sun partially shaded. They stay out until the last of August. If out in September a small white fly will come on the plants, and if left on they will ruin the leaves and buds. If they get on it will require constant care to be rid of them. I have roses at the present time (December 8th) in bud and blossom.

I had the good luck the past spring to add five different kinds to my collection, with a renewal subscription to The Household Journal, and they are fine plants.—Mrs. C. P. Wheelock, Vermont.

BEAUTIFUL HOLLYHOCKS.

I have cultivated flowers many years, and have been successful with most of the kinds found in the catalogues, but the most beautiful I ever remember of having were the mammoth Allegheny hollyhocks, double, mixed colors. There is a row of shrubs in a bed five feet wide and fifty feet long. About a foot below the surface there is a tiling the length of the bed, with an elbow at the head, in which the nozzle of the hose is placed in dry times and the water from a hydrant turned on until it comes out at the foot, there being a natural fall of several inches. Back of the shrubs were the hollyhocks, six inches apart. The seeds were planted in the house in March and transplanted to the bed in May. Looking down the length of the bed from the back porch, the effect was beautiful, better than when viewed from the front. They were all in bloom at the same time. My son said he did not like them because they dwarfed everything else. Perhaps the same might be said of all the most beautiful things in the world.—Mrs. A. B. Bean, Michigan.

DAHLIA THE FAVORITE.

In answer to your invitation to take part in the floral contest, would like to state that of all the flowers I have raised, I have had the best success with dahlias. I plant them in the spring—in April, if the weather is favorable—then they will begin to bloom in June, and continue to bloom for five months. I had twenty-five plants this summer, each different, and they furnished a perfect mass of flowers all summer.

For planting, I dig a deep hole, put a big shovelful of well-rotted manure in, cover with dirt, take three or four roots of one kind, cover it with lime, put in, and cover it with dirt. I plant them at least three feet apart, as they grow very large and bushy, and some as high as five feet. After they have taken a good start in growing, I put sticks up. After they begin to bloom I keep them well watered, and keep the dirt loose around them. When winter sets in I take them up, separate and mark each kind, and keep in a dry place.—Mrs. M. Petersen, California.

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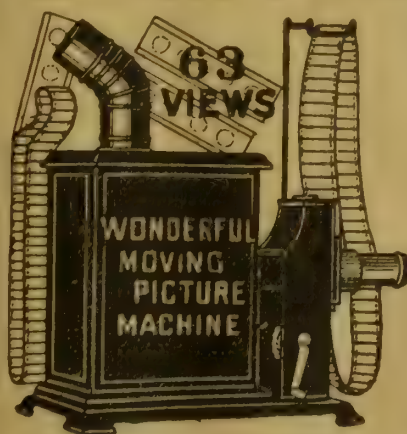
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how I care for them to have such good success. This is what I tell them. In the fall I take it from under the porch, where I had it resting during the summer—I turn the pot upon its side—and repot it. I use rich soil. I put a few small rocks in the bottom of the pot. I keep it very wet from the first day till I take it out again in the spring. In fact, I have it standing in water all the time, and during the winter I put hot water in the dish in which I have it setting. I take it outdoors about once a month and spray it good.

When I repot it I take all the little tubers away and put them in a pot by themselves. These I either sell or give to friends.—Mrs. J. W. Drehmer, Oklahoma.

CHRISTMAS CACTUS.

I have had the best success in growing a Christmas cactus. I started mine from a slip about three inches in length. For best success in growing, it should be in a receptacle which is larger at the bottom than at the top. I have mine in an old coffee pot. The soil I have mine in is sand. I presume the plant is now nearly ten years old. One side of it was frozen one winter, which somewhat hindered its growth, but is now nearly four feet at its greatest diameter, and is about sixteen inches in height, and has bloomed for five winters. Last winter it commenced blooming Thanksgiving and bloomed until New Year's, but this year it began blooming a few days before Thanksgiving. I have not reset it for almost three years and of course it would be nicer if I would reset it oftener, but with my household cares I have not as much time to devote to my flowers as I should like to have.—Miss Berta B. Kretzinger, Ohio.

GROWING ROSES.

I have the best success growing ever-blooming roses, such as Charles Dingee, Baby Rambler, Clothilde Soupert and Eugene Marlot, and all hardy ones. I plant in rich soil (the richer, the better), prune well, and on the approach of warm weather I cover them with thin cloth. I make a frame and tack the cloth over it, such as is used to cover tobacco. If dry, water by making a hole six inches from the bushes, and fill with water. Cover with a small plank to keep the sun from baking the place. Try this and have roses equal to those from the hothouse.—Mrs. James Teutman, Missouri.

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When bright stars are just peeping through.
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There! I guess that I can't keep the secret,
No matter how hard I may try.

She's in love with a young man. (She told me
Last night as we stood by the gate.)
And she's going to marry him some time—
I know both his name and the date.
I won't tell, though, because that's a secret.
Perhaps you can guess it all right;
For I don't look down-hearted. Now do I?
Please don't tell what I've told you tonight.

Please don't tell what I've told you tonight;
For I didn't say much, anyway.
Come, now, say you won't tell, "honor bright,"
And I'll tell you the whole tale some day.
Don't forget that I wasn't to tell,
And just keep your lips closed good and tight;
For I didn't say much. Did I?—Well,
Please don't tell what I've told you tonight.
—Charles H. Meiers, California.

Floral Problems

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[Our readers are privileged to avail themselves of the knowledge acquired by Mr. McGregor in his many years of experience as an enthusiastic florist. Whatever may be your trials or troubles in the flower line, write us, and he will gladly assist you. Send two-cent stamp if you desire reply by mail.—Editor.]

Godfrey Calla—W. H. Vanderret, Nebraska—The above variety is the best of the white callas. A bulb as large as one's thumb and a couple of inches long should be a blooming size. Planted in a pot of good soil and kept cool and well shaded until it has had time to form proper roots, it should produce a healthy plant and good flowers. The plants like to be fairly well shaded, and if kept out of doors, pots plunged in the ground, will give the best results. A free, cool, blackish loam suits them best, as they do not like a hot, gravelly or light soil.

Carnation Rust—Mrs. David Tobin, Ohio—The clipping of the carnation seems to show evidence of a disease commonly known to florists as carnation rust. It comes to the plant when it is in an unhealthy condition and of poor vitality resulting from high temperature and lack of cultivation. Carnations like as cool a temperature as possible, a fairly well-enriched soil, good drainage, and sufficient water to maintain a healthy growth. Proper cultivation of the soil forms one of the important points in the care of carnations. Attention given to all these points will make unnecessary the use of insecticides and fungicides which should come within the needs of caring for this plant.

Maiden Hair Fern—Miss Ida Broker, Illinois—During the summer the maiden hair fern should be given as near its natural growing conditions as possible. Try to introduce the cool, shady, well-drained conditions of the cliffs and ravines where the maiden hair fern does so well. A rockery well shaded is an ideal place, as it gives perfect drainage. The soil should be of free, cool loam. Unless you can have these conditions for the fern you cannot expect it to do well.

(2) **Tea Rose**—Your reference to the tea rose seeming to dry up and not blooming at all suggests too light a soil. See that the plants are well mulched and properly watered, and in the absence of some unfavorable local condition this treatment will bring the plant around all right.

Red Spider or Rust on Palms—Mrs. E. A. Loud, Missouri—The term "rust" which you give to the reddish or rusty appearance of the foliage of the palm properly describes the trouble. The red spider disease takes up thousands of minute insects, which thrive on the under side of the leaves as a result of a hot, dry temperature. Were it possible to spray the foliage continually throughout the day these insects would not live a week's time. Sponge the foliage with a strong solution of Ivory soap, or keep it moistened continually by spraying. The plants can be set out of doors anywhere in the shade and watered daily with a fine hose spray, giving care to using the force of the spray on the under side of the foliage. If necessary, lay the plant on its side to do this. At the same time, sponging with the soap will remove all forms of insect life.

Paper White Narcissus—A. W. Morse & Sons, Tennessee—Such bulbs as the white narcissus and similar bulbs imported from Holland, which have been grown to mature flowering size, are of comparatively little value to hold for another season, that is, to depend on them for flowers. The best way to handle them is to plant them in some out-of-the-way place where they can remain permanently and where such a planting will not infringe in the choice planting spots of the yard, but where some space could be given up to a permanent planting, such as wild flowers, etc., and where the bulbs would be allowed to remain and where they would give you a certain amount of flowers from season to season. If you want to depend on the blooms, as one generally does with bulbs grown in pots, it would be far better to make a small investment in new bulbs each season.

Propagating Rubber Plants—John Pool Bryant, North Carolina—The propagation of the rubber plant is a very simple matter and accomplishes a double purpose. It secures a cutting for a new plant and at the same time performs the operation for making a well-branched plant of the parent stock. When the plant is in good growth and it is time for the plant to grow out of doors, cut a slit in the stem upward of a few inches in length and within half way of severing the top. Insert a small match stick, to keep the cut open, and then wrap the break well with sphagnum moss (the writer is sending you a small box of this by mail) about the size of a small baseball. After five or six weeks, when the roots show through the moss, sever the cut at the base and pot with

more and all in a good garden soil. Keep the cutting well shaded for a few days and in the warmest temperature possible. See that the new cutting is well watered. If these instructions are followed there is every reason to believe you should have been successful with the propagation.

Entering the Greenhouse Business—A. N. Twitchell, New York—The Lord & Burnham Co., Greenhouse Builders, New York City, will give you full information on building. They issue a very nice catalogue. If the work you contemplate is less than they would want to undertake, they would be glad to refer you to other local builders. For books on management of greenhouses, the writer would refer you to the A. T. De La Mare Printing & Publishing Co., New York City, who carry one of the largest stocks of horticulture and floriculture books in the country, and they would be glad to furnish you with anything you might need in this line. State the particular line of information that you want, so that they may have something to govern them in a selection.

Worm Killer—Mrs. P. O. Harris, Nevada—The writer is sending you a package of the worm killer requested. It is non-poisonous and is said to be harmless to animals and birds, but effective for destroying worms on lawns, in gardens and where they are troublesome to plants in pots. The powder should be applied at the rate of one-half pound to the square yard, and as worms go deep in the soil during a drought, and also when the sun shines brightly, better results are secured when the powder is used during damp, dull or muggy weather, as under these conditions the worms are near the surface. For use with potted plants or plants in tubs or boxes, it can be applied any time. Water well with can or hose, enough to saturate the ground well.

Plant Consumption—Mrs. J. Iverson, Illinois—Certainly there is every reason for the fern, of which you send a clipping, to show that lifeless condition that we would call consumption with persons. Along the stem of the clipping are four or five inches which are affected with what proved to be between fifteen and one hundred and fifty scales, each one touching the other and all sapping the life out of every inch of the stem. Undoubtedly the balance of the plant is affected likewise. They would be difficult to remove and the remedy therefore would be to kill the insects where it has fastened itself to the plant. This can be done in this instance by inverting the plant and dipping it in one of the soap solutions, such as fir-tree oil, whale-oil soap or a strong solution of common Ivory soap. Make up enough of this solution so that the plant can be inverted thoroughly submerged or sufficient to lay the plant down and wash the foliage thoroughly. This should be repeated every week for five or six weeks, after which

the scale will gradually fall off. As many as can should be brushed off with a small brush. If the plant is large and a fairly good specimen it would be worth the care, but if not, it is so badly affected that referring to it as under the above heading it is in the last form of consumption.

Black Spot on Roses—Mrs. Annie E. Hoopes, Virginia—The "black spot" is the name of a fungus disease, the result being that the foliage is covered with brown spots and several drying up and dropping off. The disease is brought about by a condition which might be termed starvation of the plants and generally occurs during extreme dry spells or when the plants are neglected and do not receive the required nourishment. The disease is not necessarily fatal to the plant, and if you will pick off all affected foliage and cultivate the plants well—generally watering well and applying a mulch of well-rotted manure, rotted straw or grass cuttings—you will find the plants will recover in a reasonable length of time. Be sure that all of the spotted leaves are picked off and burned, even if it is necessary to strip the plant to practically bare stems.

Tender Plants—Mrs. Rose Broadfoot, Kansas—Such plants as heliotrope, genista and scarlet sage are tender and should be taken indoors in the fall. When they are taken up after frost is over, cut them back well and ripen the wood thoroughly by keeping the soil around the plants partly on the dry side for a couple of weeks. This will encourage new root growth. These plants are of easy culture and should do well through the winter indoors.

(2) **Aphis**—A simple and generally effective remedy for insects of different kinds is Pyrethrum powder, which you can secure at your drug store. The best all-around insecticide known to the writer is Nicotinic, which sells for about \$1.00 per quarter pint bottle. This is sufficient to make all that a large garden would call for an entire season. Its distribution has been confined to the trade, but you could buy a small package from any of the leading mail-order houses.

A General Insecticide—Mrs. Leona Free, Ohio—The small flying insects which you mention as troubling the dahlias could be destroyed by dusting the plants well with common fly powder, which you can get at your drug store. This is quite effective for a great many insects, but if you have many plants, the writer would suggest that you invest a dollar or so in the preparation which, in the past, has been handled pretty much by the florist trade only and which is sold under the name of Nicotinic. An investment of the above amount will give a very large garden protection from every insect of every kind and through the entire summer. It cannot be used indoors very well, as it gives off a very strong and poison-

ous vapor, but it is an extremely valuable thing out of doors. For worms in the soil use some of the powder which the writer is sending you. Scatter it well about the base of the plants and then water thoroughly.

Growing Roses Indoors—Mrs. L. A. McCollister, Oklahoma—You will find it just as easy to grow roses indoors as the other plants which you have been caring for. There would be no advantage in buying plants before fall, unless one could secure small plants now of the two-and-one-half-inch-pot size, which, of course, would be a saving in expenses. If the small plants purchased now could be planted out of doors and taken up and potted in the fall, in good garden soil, it would give good results, but to avoid the trouble in potting the writer would advise planting out the small roses pot and all. You understand there is some trouble with potting field roses, because of their inclination to make long tap roots, therefore the advantage in keeping the roots pot-bound. When the plants are taken up in the early winter they should be rested for a period of two or three weeks and the wood allowed to ripen thoroughly, after which the plants can be started into growth and should give blooms throughout the winter. A shifting from a four to a five inch pot in the winter would be beneficial. The above gives general directions for handling the small roses. Now if you buy the two-year plants in the fall, they will require nothing, but it is always advisable to give them a rest at once. For indoor growth you will find such varieties as Mad. Constant Souperet, Mrs. Aaron Ward, Rhea Reid, Lady Battersea, Kaiserin, W. R. Smith, Helen Good, Hermosa, Gruss an Teplitz, Bessie Brown, Laurent Carle and Senateur Mascurand to do particularly well, and these varieties give a good range of colors.



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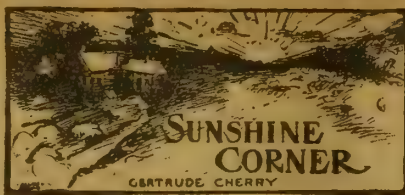


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Q. Does this mean charity to the poor?

A. It means charity to rich and poor, to high and low, to all those fellow-travelers.

Q. Is charity giving?

A. It is. To be able to give is a blessing.

Q. Is giving always charity?

A. Not always. St. Paul says: "Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing."

Q. Is charity receiving?

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We ask each one to please remember that it takes many stamps for our work, and a few sent to us once in a while will help very much. We also make a request that each member assist us in the Emergency Fund so far as they are able, in selling or use your influence to sell the mendets, which helps us to give material aid to very worthy shut-ins, to buy wheel-chairs, and little comforts. These mendets will mend leaks in granite, tin, copper, hot-water bags, etc., and come in assorted sizes, with a little wrench, for 25 cents and a two-cent stamp. Please do

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We mention the work of shut-ins from time to time, and if you can give them an order, it will be a great help. Do not write for samples and keep them more than a week, and less time if possible. We know of one case where a party wrote for samples of work, and the young lady had a box of her fancy work ready, and sent in good faith to this party to order from. She kept it for weeks, did not pay any attention to the invalid's letters, until the post office took up the matter. Then they were rolled up in paper and returned in a soiled condition. It now looks as if this woman expected to keep the entire amount. How could any one be so mean and wrong a shut-in who is trying to earn enough to buy necessities of life? Some persons send for samples to copy the designs and then return without giving an order. Do not do this. This is no Sunshine. Such persons can be punished.

WHERE TO SEND CHEER.

"To be a strong hand in the dark to another in the time of need, to be a source of strength to a human soul in a crisis of weakness, is to know the glory of life."

Miss Almira Pattison, State Hospital, Middleton, N. Y., is a shut-in who asks for cards without writing, and sweets, on her birthday, August 14th.

Mrs. Josephine Parker, Gladwin, Mich., R. F. D. 93, is a sufferer from rheumatism. She says she has not heard from the Sunshiners for some time. She would appreciate a good book or any kind of cheer.

Mrs. Gertrude B. Howard, of East Wallingford, Vt., has been dangerously ill, and while some better, yet she needs cheer. Cards, reading, anything to cheer her. A good story to be read by her daughter would be appreciated. She and her daughters are very appreciative. Mrs. Howard is over 80 years of age.

Mrs. B. B. Shetter, Chambersburg, Pa., R. F. D. 11, was a shut-in and for two years could not walk. But now she can get out of doors. She will be seventy-five the eleventh of November. She will be very glad to get letters or cards from shut-ins and Sunshiners.

Miss Frances Royce, of East Shoreham, Vt., is still confined to her bed. Cheer cards and letters will mean much to her. Does not need financial aid.

Mr. Arthur Whitt, Piedmont, S. C., R. F. D. 8, is now able to get around on crutches. He sent the name of a little cripple to us for cheer. Master J. C. Cisson, of Greenville, S. C. He has never walked. His mail at first did not reach him, but a mail carrier found him located at one of the cotton mills, where his father works, and the little fellow has been made very happy over his Sunshine mail. A card or a letter to Mr. Whitt would be much appreciated.

Miss Jennie Spencer, of Campbell, N. C., R. F. D. 1, care of W. E. Rhoades, has been an invalid for years, unable to walk on account of rheumatism. She has no parents living, and lives with a brother. The doctor says she is poor and is a lady of most excellent character. She is unable to work and is a subject of charity from any source it may be God's will to send it. So please send her cheer letters and cards and gifts.

We have received the names of two little tots who would be very happy if "Sunshine" should come their way. Dottie D. Cone four and one-half years old, and her little heart would be made happy with a rag doll or a large unbreakable one. The other little girl is six years old. Her name is Grace Winning. Cards or a tiny box of bright ribbons would please this little one very much. Send to the little girls as named above in care of Miss Esther Levy, Cornwall Landing, N. Y., Box 314.

The following persons have been asked for cheer by Miss Esther Levy, of Cornwall Landing, N. Y., Box 314. Send things to them in her care. For two wee tots, Alice Twine (six years old) and Mary Twine (five years old), rib-

bons or toys or pictures for these little girls. A feeble old lady would appreciate calico pieces, bits of crochet cotton and wool, or a pretty wrapper. Address Mrs. Sally Myers, in care of Miss Levy, as above. An old soldier, 75 years old, would appreciate cards, pictures, books, cheery letters and stamps. Address Mr. William Bler, in care of Miss Levy.

Mr. Clifford E. Davis, Box 3, R. F. D. 2, Cumberland, Md., is a partial invalid, living on a farm. He lives with his aged father. He is fond of reading and would like to exchange a number of good books and magazines for others. He would like to have stories of hunting, adventure, or the sea, "Tom Brown's School Days," or "At Oxford," or "Treasure Island," also would like to get copies of St. Nicholas magazine from 1882 to 1889 or any years between. He has sixteen good books to trade for others. If you have a good book, why not pass it on to him, if you are through?

We always feel so sorry for those who have spent the best days of their lives in trying to pay for a place, a home, and sickness prevented further payments for lack of work. It is then that I wish we had a beautiful Sunshine Home to welcome these truly worthy ones. A letter from a good, worthy woman, who use to be able to send out cheer to others, writes that she and her husband are ill, and they have been unable to buy the real necessities of life. They are both old. Heretofore they were able to raise chickens, rabbits and garden products. They are now worried for fear they will lose their home. To be turned out into the cold world when one is seventy-five or eighty is truly pitiful. This lady has seen better days. She is educated and refined. How I wish we could pay off the mortgage and give them enough to live on each month so they would not have to worry. In her letter she says, "We would both so much rather help others, as we have done in the past, than to be helped, if we could." She did not ask me to say a word in the Journal for aid, but I know it is badly needed. Address Mrs. Sadie Magoon Gieve, Lake Bay, Wash., Box 10A.

APPRECIATION.

Miss Mary Ellen Willis, of Barnesville, Ga., R. F. D. 3, sends us a word of thanks for cheer received. She never walked in her life, and is 45 years old. She greatly enjoys the little go-cart which the Sunshiners helped to buy for her. She is ever grateful for kindness shown. She lives with her brother. Has to hire a woman to care for her. Would appreciate subscriptions for the Sunshine Bulletin at fifty cents a year.

Miss Carrie E. Brown, Bethel, Vt., R. F. D. 1, is so grateful for the many beautiful, cheerful letters and cards, which she says always bring Sunshine and happiness with them. She thanks the lady who sends the beautiful post cards to send out to her friends. She wishes she had the means and was able to write to each one and thank them.

Miss Ida Newton, of 60 Catherine Street, Albany, N. Y., is ever grateful for kindness shown her. She thanks each one who sent her cheer on her birthday, which was June 25th. She and a feeble mother live in a basement and are hoping that the way will be open to them to be able to rent a few rooms or a room or two in sunny and dry quarters. What a pity a shut-in must live in such damp quarters. No doubt her health would be much better if she could get dry and cheerful rooms.

WORK FOR SALE.

Miss Flossie Aldrich, Williamsfield, Ohio, R. F. D. 2, still does beautiful crochet work, and makes such pretty hair receivers. Price fifty cents. She wishes those who have her sample work to please return to her at once. Hereafter each one just keep them out only one week. Miss Aldrich is trying very hard to obtain enough money to get a set of teeth. She has been a shut-in for years and deserves all the help she can get. Her work is so dainty and pretty, she is sure to please.

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A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY REQUEST.

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If you wish cheer in our Corner, please send a well-written reference from your doctor or minister as to your worthiness. This must be written by some one other than a relative. Do not send name and address of doctor or minister and expect us to write for the reference. We have not the time. Do not ask for aid, for our means are very limited. If you are in need and the worthy kind, we can read between the lines, if you are really worth helping. If you have fancy work to sell—that is, embroidery or laces—or painting, send your offer on separate sheet from your reference, and also price, and your full name and address, and we can file these away and it will simplify our work.

A DIME SHOWER IS ASKED FOR A WORTHY SHUT-IN.

Mrs. Carrie Mead, of Waupaca, Wis., is very deserving. She has had several operations, and has no income except from her fancy work, which of course comes slow. She wishes to receive enough dimes to buy a rubber stocking, as her limbs swell almost to bursting at times. Perhaps you can give her an order for her fancy work, too. Now please remember to send her a dime (every one who can) on or before August 25th. It will not hurt if you

sit right down and send her one, so you will not forget it. Her life has been a very sad one and a few cheery letters might brighten her wonderfully.

GONE BEYOND.

We have received the notice of the death of Miss Bernice Brown, of East Shoreham, Vt., who passed away May 27th. The notice came too late for the July issue. She greatly enjoyed the cheery messages of Sunshine sent to her, for which her parents and brothers and sisters were truly grateful to each one. Miss Ward, who sent the report, says, "The cheery letters and other kind messages through the medium of The Household Journal are a great boon to the lonely shut-in, and I believe all these good deeds will not be unrecorded."

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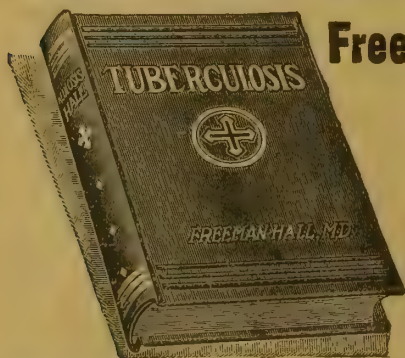
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Then, "Is it needful?" in your mind,

Give thankful answer and the next

Is last and narrowest, "Is it kind?"

And if to each your lips at last

It passes thro' the gateway three,

Then you may tell the tale nor fear,

What the result of speech may be.

To mend gloves

When a hole first appears in a glove, turn the glove inside out and, drawing the edges of the hole together, stick a piece of leather courtplaster over it. The courtplaster not only holds the parts together, but being leather makes it very strong.

For the invalid

A great convenience for an invalid who is compelled to lie down much of the time is a wall pocket. Make this with a flat piece having pockets of different sizes and shapes. This may be fastened on the wall near the couch, or, as I have seen one, to the end of a dresser within reach. It can hold writing materials, crocheting materials, or anything that the invalid needs which will help to pass the time.

Ironing help

The following is a hint for ironing sheets. Instead of spreading out the sheet to iron, fold it in half, then quarter, and lay it on the ironing board as though to iron. Now iron the rest of the clothes on top of the sheet, turn it occasionally before taking a new small article to iron, so as to reach every part, then fold it and begin on another sheet. In this way the sheets are ironed with very little trouble.

A home-made soap

Women who can save enough fat scraps to make the directions below of practical use to them are fortunate from an economical standpoint.

You will need only six pounds of soap. The grease must be clarified and this is accomplished by turning the fat into a big pan and covering it with hot water. When all the fat is melted, stir it well and let cool. The clean grease will rise to the top and the impurities will have settled to the bottom of the pan. If there are bits of suet in the fat, it will necessitate straining it.

Put the clean cake of grease in a pan over a slow fire and when it is melted add a can of lye that has been previously dissolved in a pail containing a quart of cold water. When the lye is put in the water it foams up; it must be stirred with a wooden spoon or a stick until it is quiet. Remove the mixture from the range as soon as the lye is added. If you like you may add a few drops of oil of lemon or of rose geranium at this time, and, if a very strong soap, for cleaning kitchen utensils and scrubbing, is desired, add two tablespoonfuls of ammonia and a cupful of washing soda. Of course, for toilet soap only perfume is added, though a little powdered borax is favored by some families.

The mixture must be stirred for about twenty minutes, when it will begin to set; do not stir after this or it will separate. This may be poured into boxes, trays, pans or molds and when perfectly hard,

stamped or cut into cakes. When dry it is a very good, mild white soap, which will float on water. It is very little trouble to make soap by this cold process and the longer it is kept the harder and better it becomes.

Making work in kitchen easy

When arranging the kitchen the idea should be to make the work as simple and easy as possible. The first step in this direction is to procure the utensils that will help to do the work in the most successful manner, and thus obtain the best results.

When buying utensils consider the uses to which each article is to be put, and buy the best of its kind. Look each utensil over and see if it is well enough made to be durable, if it is convenient to handle, and if it is easy to clean. The frying pan is now made of steel, and, with little care, can be kept smooth. The ones with a lip on either side are the best to buy, as either hand can be used when emptying the contents.

There is much discussion as to the relative value of aluminum and enameled ware. Both have their advantages. The aluminum ware is coming more and more into use.

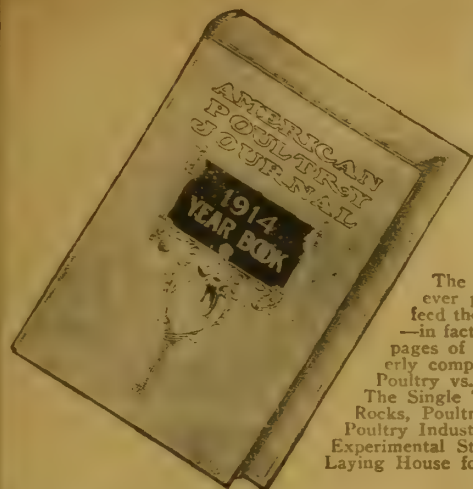
There are many ways in which paper can be used in the kitchen, making for better sanitation and saving of work. No kitchen is well equipped that has not a roll of heavy absorbent paper. It can be used for cutting bread and cake on, and for breading articles to be fried, and in many other ways. It saves using boards that are hard to keep sweet and clean.

By securely wrapping cake and bread in waxed paper they can both be kept in the same receptacle, and neither will be affected by the odor of the other. Waxed paper is most useful for covering food when placing it in the refrigerator. Bacon, salt pork and cheese thus protected will not impart a taste to the other articles in the refrigerator, and many other uses for it will be found.

Tissue and other soft papers that come in boxes and around packages should be kept in a bag hung inside the pantry door, or in some other place easy of access, to be used to clean greasy cooking dishes, before putting them into the dish water; or for wiping up grease that has been dropped on the floor. If the garbage is wrapped in pieces of paper before putting in the garbage pail it will be found that it is an easy and a clean job to keep the pail in a sweet, sanitary condition.

Another saving device is to keep old stocking legs and pieces of knit underwear in a bag near at hand to use where a moist cloth is necessary and paper will not do the work. After using once throw into the waste basket, the contents of which should be disposed of each day. A soft piece of cloth moistened with kerosene is the best stove cleaner possible.

When work is planned and systematized much time and strength are saved. Much wearisome detail can be eliminated if work is dovetailed together so that no time need be wasted; and also by quickly deciding as to what is the next thing in importance to do. For instance, if, when preparing the breakfast, which in most families is quite a simple meal, an inventory is taken of the contents of the refrigerator and pantry, so that the menus for the day may be planned early, then the orders for market and grocer may be made out.



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Uncle Nahum's Wedding

(Continued from page 5)

ing so willing to get rid of us, eh, little one?"

"And who is the bride?" questioned Faith.

"Why, that's the mooted point yet. Nobody seems to know. Some say one, and some say another; but the general impression seems to be that it is the rich widow who owns the brownstone block on the corner."

"I'm sure I hope he will be happy," said Faith, with tremulous lips and eyes suffused with tears. "But—but I think he might have said something to us about it."

"People are not generally in a hurry to proclaim the fact that they are about to make fools of themselves," said Duke Bourne, bitterly.

"Why," cried Faith, laughing through her tears, "that is precisely what he said of us."

But the next day a letter from Uncle Nahum himself settled the matter. He wrote:

"There is to be a wedding at my house on the 17th, and I want you and Marmaduke to be there without fail."

"A wedding! At his house!" cried Faith. "I supposed weddings were celebrated at the bride's residence."

"So they are, dear," said Miss Smith; "but your uncle was always so eccentric."

"What shall we do?" asked Faith.

"Why, go, of course," said Marmaduke Bourne, "to show that we bear no ill-will, if for no other reason."

The 17th of March arrived, a cold, blustering night, and the old, red brick house was all in a glimmer of light as the young betrothed pair drew up to the door. Uncle Nahum met them on the threshold, in his old-fashioned, swallow-tailed coat, with a huge white camellia in his buttonhole, and a pair of surprisingly white kid gloves.

"Have you brought your white frock?" was his first question to his niece.

"No, Uncle, I—"

"That won't do," said Uncle Nahum. "No one must come to my wedding without a marriage garment. It's lucky I provided one for you. Come upstairs now and change your dress."

"But, Uncle, a white silk!" cried Faith, looking in dismay at the glistening dress laid out for her use.

"What then?" Isn't white silk the thing for a wedding? Put it on quick, and I'll send some one to bring you down in five minutes."

And so, with a doubting heart, Faith Nixon robed herself in the white dress, with its trimmings of vapory blonde and long trail.

"Where's your veil?" said Uncle Nahum, when he came himself, a few minutes later, to the door.

"Uncle, I can't wear a veil," pleaded Faith.

"But you must!" said Uncle Nahum; "nobody comes to my wedding without a veil." And he placed the wreath lightly on her head.

"But, Uncle Nahum, they will take me for the bride."

"Let 'em," said the old gentleman. "Take my arm. Now come downstairs, and I'll show you the bride. Here she is."

Lifting her bewildered eyes, Faith Nixon beheld her own figure reflected in a full-length mirror at the stairway.

"Here's the bride," chuckled Uncle

Nahum, leading her up to Bourne, and here's the groom," touching Bourne's shoulder. "And here's the parson, all ready and waiting. Now, reverend sir," to the clergyman, "marry 'em as fast as ever you can." And before either of the astonished young couple could remonstrate they were made man and wife.

"Duke," said the bride as soon as the ceremony was over, "did you know of this?"

"No, I didn't," said Mr. Bourne, with his arm very tight around his little wife's waist. "But I must say I approve very highly of the whole proceeding."

Uncle Nahum stood by rubbing his hands, with his face wreathed in one prodigious smile.

"So you supposed it was I who was to be married, eh?" said he. "Not a bit of it, not a bit of it. I am too old a bird to be caught with such chaff as that. No, no, little Faith. Did you think I was going to turn my wee birdie out of her nest, after all the years she has been cherished there? No, no, I only wanted to assure myself that your fancy was a real fancy, and this young rascal here," smiting Bourne on the shoulder once more, "loved you for yourself alone, and not for the money which he thought the old man was going to leave you. And you're to live here, both of you, and we will be happy ever after. Strike up your harps and fiddles. Let's have a dance, let's all be merry together."

Uncle Nahum Nixon himself led off the bridal quadrille, dancing in the good old style of fifty years ago.

"I can't have a wedding every day," said Uncle Nahum, breathlessly, as he cut a last pigeon wing, "and I mean to make the most of it."

IF I KNEW.

If I knew the box where smiles are kept,

No matter how large the key

Or strong the bolt, I would try so hard—

'Twould open, I know, for me.

Then over the land and the sea, broadcast,

I'd scatter the smiles to play,

That the children's faces might hold them fast

For many and many a day.

If I knew a box that was large enough

To hold all the frowns I meet,

I would gather them, every one,

From nursery, school and street;

Then, folding and holding, I'd pack them in,

And, turning the monster key,

I'd hire a giant to drop the box

In the depths of the deep, deep sea.

BICYCLES MORE POPULAR THAN EVER.

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A GREAT AND SUCCESSFUL MAN.

In a city rich in its possession of "captains of industry," giants of the commercial world, few stand out with such prominence as does Captain J. B. Greenhut, president of the J. B. Greenhut Company, formerly Greenhut Siegel Cooper Company, who, from beginnings of the pettiest, has attained an enviable height among the leaders of this community.

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Coming to this country while yet a boy, Captain Greenhut suffered under the handicaps that are almost inevitably connected with the life of a "stranger in a strange land." As he says himself, he began life in the "land of the free" with a capital consisting of indomitable ambition, a dinner pail, and 25 cents in cash—surely a beginning as lowly as could be pictured by any Alger or Henty.

It was just before the Civil War that Captain Greenhut left his home in Illinois and landed in Mobile with exactly a quarter of a dollar in his pocket. His first job was that of a solder-heater. His next venture was connected with the roofing of freight cars—neither situation, needless to say, being calculated to land him in the bond-holding class.

Then came the outbreak of the Civil War. His youthful ambitions were fired with a desire to participate in the struggle.

Siding with the North and realizing that the success of the Confederacy would mean the splitting up of the country into a series of



Capt. J. B. Greenhut

petty republics such as those of South America, he determined, young as he was, to offer his services in the Union cause. He returned to Chicago, and just one month before the fall of Fort Sumter, when Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation calling for 3,000 men, his name appeared second on the enlistment roll. This was in 1861.

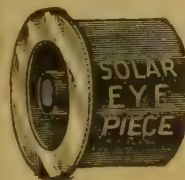
He joined Company "A" of the 18th Illinois Infantry as a private, and in three months he was promoted sergeant. He was wounded at Fort Donelson when it surrendered to General Grant in his first great victory of 1862. After a short interval, he re-entered the army as Captain of Company "K," 82nd Illinois Infantry, in which he passed nearly all the remainder of the war, taking part in some of the chief engagements. He was present at Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and at the three epoch-making days of Gettysburg. After the latter battle he served as Captain, Adjutant, and Chief of Staff of the Third Brigade, Third Division (Carl Schurz's), of the Eleventh Army Corps.

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—Jean Startsook, Kansas.

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Find the condition of "air" before you.

Is it long strands?

Is it more than one?

Is it beautiful?

Can you climb it?

Can you sit on it?

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Which suited our * * *

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4. A shoe fastening.

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A special prize of an assortment of souvenir post cards is awarded Emma A. Ford, 712 North Central Avenue, Austin Station, Chicago, Ill., for batch of original puzzles received in June.

Pleasantries

APPLICATION OF AN OLD ADAGE.

If a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush,—

And we've oftentimes been told 'tis a fact,—
Then it follows that she who is wise will not rush

Off to Reno; she'll stick and use tact.

—Charles H. Meiers, California.

SCOTLAND AHEAD.

Ted Brown, an American, was touring Scotland and one afternoon mounted a high hill in company with a Scot who began bragging of the extensive view.

"I suppose you can see America from here on a fine day," said the American, jocosely.

"Oh, aye, farther than that," replied the other.

"Farther than that?"

"Aye! On a fine night we can see the mune."

SAFE.

Young Walter and his cousin were making a snow man out in the yard and each was intent on perfecting his own part of the anatomy of the figure.

Suddenly Walter paused in a reflective mood. Then he looked up at his cousin, who was considerably larger than he, and inquired:

"Frank, why do you blame all the very naughty things you do on your little brother?"

"Why not?" quite cheerfully called back Frank. "Mother says he's too small to punish."—Harper's Bazar.

KINDRED FEELING.

The new cook who had come into the household during the holidays asked her mistress:

"Where ban your son? I not seeing him round here no more."

"My son," replied the mistress, proudly, "Oh, he has gone back to Yale. He could only stay away long enough to stay until New Year's day, you see. I miss him dreadfully, though."

"Yes, I knowing yooost how you feel. My brother, he ban in yail six times since Thanksgiving."

THE WAY TO ANSWER.

Elihu Root tells a story about himself and his efforts to correct the manners of his office boy. One morning the young autocrat came into the office and tossing his cap at a book, exclaimed:

"Say, Mr. Root, there's a ball game down at the park today and I want to go down."

Now the great lawyer was willing that the boy should go, but thought he would teach him a little lesson in good manners.

"James," he said, "that isn't the way to ask a favor. Now, you sit down in my chair and I'll show you how to do it properly."

The boy took the office chair and his employer picked up his cap and stepped outside. He then opened the door softly, and holding the cap in his hand, said quietly to the small boy in the big chair:

"Please, sir, there is a ball game at the park today; if you can spare me I would like to get away for the afternoon."

In a flash the boy responded:

"Why, certainly, Jimmie, and here is fifty cents to buy your way in."—The Ladies' Home Journal.

THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT.

At certain seasons a little Sunday school class in New York is visited by a vestryman in the church who is affected with a terrible air of episcoposmity. He came one day and quizzed the scholars upon their lessons, and at the end of every question he paused as if to say, "Ah-ha! You don't know that!"

"And now," he demanded, "what is the sixth commandment?"

No one answered. The episco-pompous vestryman turned to the teacher and convicted her with a ponderous "Ah-ha!"

"Come," he said, "what commandment did Cain break? What commandment was it that he broke when he killed Abel? Can't any one tell me?"

One scholar beckoned the teacher to her. The teacher listened to the whispered confidence.

"What does the child say?" demanded the vestryman. "If one child knows the answer to that simple question, let me hear it."

"The child says, sir," answered the teacher, "without some trepidation, 'that there were no commandments when Cain killed Abel.'"

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Talks with Our Readers

Our Dollar Sign (\$) Contest We have been much gratified with the interest displayed by our readers in counting the dollar sign to be found in the advertisements in our May number. A great number have sent in their count, so that we are sure that the contest has afforded considerable interest. The correct number of the dollar signs used in the May advertisements is 79. As stated in the announcement of the contest, only those dollar signs in the advertisements could be counted. Those in our editorial announcement and in the "Sunshine" department or other columns of reading matter could not be included. The contest closed May 31st, and we are pleased to announce the following successful contestants, they each having sent the first correct return from their respective states:

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It will be noticed that there are ties in five states, these returns having reached us in the same mail. In these instances the prize dollar is divided between the two contestants. The announcement has been delayed by the necessity of going over so many returns, using the utmost care.

The European War and Prophecy

Many persons located the world over are wondering whether the frightful war now raging in Europe is preliminary to the coming of great events foretold by the Prophet Daniel. As yet it is not for the human mind to know just how closely the war will relate to those times, but we need not doubt that the war will have a bearing, the question being unsettled whether it is remotely connected or soon impending. All we can do is to watch the rapidly changing panorama. Prophecy tells of events that will affect the government of Turkey, so it will now be interesting to note the effects of this war upon Turkey. The prophet says that the Turk will be driven from Europe and that he will then make Jerusalem his seat of government. Shall we witness this as one of the results of this war? And after Jerusalem becomes the Turkish capital, the Turkish government soon ceases to exist. The world then reaches the end of the present age, welcoming the second coming of Christ. While as yet we are not permitted to know the exact time for these occurrences, we should be watchful of what is going on in the political world.

Laughter Laughter is a cheap luxury. Let us all laugh more. One good laugh is worth more than a thousand sighs. A sigh only takes a drop of life blood from the heart; a good laugh puts one more big red drop there. A laugh stirs up the blood, expands the chest, inflates the lungs, stretches the muscles and electrifies the whole system. Man is the only creature endowed with the power of laughter. Animals may grin, but man alone can laugh. Pity the man who lets a day go by without a hearty laugh. To be able to see the funny side of things is a faculty which can easily be cultivated. To appreciate the humorous in things is to live in constant happiness. Many a poor emaciated soul has laughed himself into avoirdupois. Laughter is one of the most delightful sounds on earth.

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The laughs have been classed under five heads—"the dimplers, the smilers, the grinners, the laughers, the horse-laughers." The last of these bespeaks an empty mind. One may be a laugher without being a horse-laughter. Laughter is a thing you can learn out of school. It costs you nothing; try it.

THE SETNESS OF SILAS KNAPP

By J. L. HARBOUR

"IT RUNS in the Knapps to be firm," said Salome Knapp, in a resigned tone, to her old Aunt Susan, who was spending a few days on the Knapp farm.

"Dogged, you mean, don't you, Salomy?" retorted Aunt Susan, in whom there "run" a tendency to blurt out the thought uppermost in her mind.

"I don't know as I should call it that, Aunt Susan," said Salome, her thin, sallow face flushing slightly.

"No, come to think of it, I wouldn't, either," replied Aunt Susan. "I'd call it pure mulishness."

"La, Aunt Susan, how you talk!" said Salome, glancing around apprehensively, as if fearful that Silas himself might hear this description of his mental infirmities, although she knew that Silas was far afield that morning.

Aunt Susan noted Salome's look of apprehension, and her mental comment was, "I reckon she thinks mebbe Silas is snoopin' around listenin', an' I wouldn't put it a mite above him." Then she added, aloud, "How in time you've put up with Si Knapp's setness all these years, an' kept sweet, is more'n I can fathom, Salomy. An' I dunno as you deserve any credit for it. Mebbe if you hadn't been so yieldin' all the time Si wouldn't be so set. Nothin' makes a man so domineerin' an' so bent on always havin' his own way as for his wife to give up to him in every blessed thing. See here, Salomy Knapp, I'm goin' to tell you something." Aunt Susan folded her stout arms across her expansive chest with a look of resolution on her slightly flushed face. She gave her head a little toss as she said, "You know what you are, Salomy?"

"Why, Aunt Susan, I don't know as I sense what you mean."

"Will you sense it if I tell you that you're nothin' but a jellyfish?"

"La, Aunt Susan!"

"You ain't got no more spirit than a loaf o' unbaked bread—no, nor as much, for a loaf o' bread will rise to the occasion when it's time for it to do so, an' you never do so far as standin' out ag'in Si Knapp is concerned."

"You don't know Silas, Aunt Susan."

"Don't I? It's a pity if I don't! I know him better than you do, for I ain't biased in my vision an' opinion, as you are. A wife usually is biased, an' you seem to have a kind of a 'The king can do no wrong' idee 'bout Silas. So many wives have that fool idee 'bout their husbands. An' what's the best o' men but a poor, weak critter? See here, Salomy, didn't you tell me yesterday that Silas had made you cook him two dropped eggs

for his breakfast every mornin' o' his life from the day you begun housekeepin' forty years ago?"

"Why, yes, Aunt Susan, but—"

"An' didn't you say that he always changed from winter to summer underthings the first day o' May, an' back to winter underthings the first day o' November, if the heavens fell? An' didn't you tell me with your own lips that he hadn't missed havin' a biled dinner on Tuesday or baked beans on Saturday night a single Tuesday or Saturday since you've been married? An' he told me himself that he'd planted his potatoes on the same day o' the month, 'less it fell on a Sunday, every year for forty-three years. He gets up exactly on the stroke

the stake 'fore he'd wear a shirt that opened behind, just because he's always wore shirts that opened in front. An' you call that bein' firm, do you? If I wasn't a good Baptist, I'd call it pure cussedness!"

Salome Knapp's sallow cheeks flushed, and her voice trembled a little as she said, with gentle deprecation, "Why, Aunt Susan!"

"Tell the truth, an' shame the devil," is my motto, Salomy, an' I've lived up to it this mornin'; an' now I must go back an' pack my satchel if you're goin' to carry me home right after dinner."

The seeds of discord sown by Aunt Susan blossomed and bore fruit in the gentle breast of Salome Knapp. Some

long-latent self-assertiveness quickened into life. She took herself sharply to task on her drive homeward after leaving Aunt Susan at her own little white cottage in the village. "Aunt Susan is right," she said in her own thoughts. "I am a jellyfish—a poor, spiritless piece of putty that any man ought to have contempt for. I know now that I haven't been mistaken when I have thought that I have seen a sneer on the face of Silas sometimes when I have given up to him without a word in every trifling thing. If he's set in his ways it's partly because I've helped to make him so. I reckon it will be something like trying to change the spots of a leopard to try to change Silas now, but I can change myself, and I'm going to do it—fool that I am for ever becoming the nonentity I've been."

The spirit of revolt rode high within her as she drove along through the dark, cool woods and up over the sun-crowned

hills to her own home that summer day. She sat upright in the buggy and held her head high. There was an unwonted brightness in her brown eyes and a slight flush on her sallow cheeks when she drove into the barn yard. Silas was there, and he opened the big swinging gate for her. He came forward to unhitch the horse, but first he pulled out his big silver watch, glanced at it, and said, "You're late getting home. I don't see how you're ever to have supper ready by half-past six, especially as we always have sallyratus biscuits for supper Thursday nights."

Salome braced herself for a conflict. Her heart was beating a little more rapidly than usual, but her voice was quite firm when she said, "I don't know that it will be any killing matter if we don't have supper exactly on the stroke of half-past six, and I'm not planning to make biscuits tonight—there's plenty of cold bread."

He stopped in the act of twisting up a



"I reckon you know by this time that I always mean just what I say."

o' five every mornin' o' his life, an' goes to bed on the stroke o' nine. If that ain't setness, I dunno what is. My, but I'd hate to live by such hard an' fast an' fool rules as that! An' the worst of it is that he makes you live by 'em, too. That's why I've braced up to tell you that you're a jellyfish. If I was in your shoes I'd come the turned worm on that man some day. Yesterday you walked a mile an' a half to the village in a pourin' rain to get a nutmeg to flavor an apple pie for Silas 'cause he always has apple pie on a Friday, an' he wouldn't eat it without nutmeg on it. I guess he'd went without nutmeg in his pie that day if he'd been my husband! He wouldn't 'a' had pie of any kind for his dinner if it hadn't been entirely convenient for me to make it. Si is a man with lots o' good streaks in him, an' I like to see a man have some staminy, but it belittles any man to be so dead set 'bout trifles. I reckon he'd go to

tug of the harness, and turned toward her. "We always do have supper on the stroke of half-past six, don't we?"

"We've been having it at that time, yes." "And we always have salyratus biscuits for supper Thursday nights, don't we?" "We have had."

"Very well; we'll keep on having supper at half-past six, and we'll keep on having salyratus biscuits for supper that night."

Having issued this philippic, he returned to the task of unharnessing the horse. Salome did not weaken. Her eyes were a little brighter, the flush on her cheeks was deeper, and she held herself a little more erect, as she said, "Silas, I want to say something to you."

"This is no time to say it, with supper likely to be late already," he replied, without looking around.

"There's no better time than the present for saying things that ought to be said, Silas. I just want to say that I'm tired of yielding my own will, my own thoughts, my own feelings, my own convenience to yours in every trifling little thing as well as in great things. I've been foolish enough to do it for years and years, but now I'm done with it. All the reward I've had has been your deserved contempt and the bitterness of seeing you get smaller and pettier in your dreadful setness. I'm not going to submit to it another day, Silas."

He finished doing up the rein he held in his hand and then he turned toward her with lowering brow. His voice quivered with partly suppressed anger as he said, "Salomey Knapp, you can take your choice. You can march right into that house, and flax around and have supper on the table at the usual time, and you can have salyratus biscuits, as usual, or you can clear out of my house and never come back. I reckon you know by this time that I always mean just what I say."

The rosy flush left her cheeks, and there was a frightened look in her eyes for a moment; then she said, in a voice as cold and hard as her husband's had been, "Very well, Silas. I will go over to Adaline's, and you can let me know when I should come back."

He made no reply, and she walked out at the open gate of the barn yard, and down the road toward the home of Adaline Mowry, half a mile distant. Adaline Mowry was the only child of Silas and Salome Knapp. She had married a prosperous young farmer, whose sympathy was entirely with Salome. Tom Mowry and his wife were eating their supper when Salome suddenly appeared at the open door of their cozy little dining room. Her somewhat agitated manner caused Adaline to cry out, "Why, mother, what has happened?"

When Salome told her story in very few words, Tom Mowry took the liberty of giving her a light slap on the back, while he said, "Bully for you, mother! I'd never thought it of you! You have done just right. You can stay right here until that dogged old—"

"Tom! Tom! you forget that he is my husband, and your wife's father," said

Salome, with gentle but earnest dignity.

"I beg your pardon, mother," said Tom. "But I can say that you are a regular brick without hurting any one's feelings, can't I?"

"How's the baby?" asked Salome, irrelevantly, for she had seen the child but a few minutes before, on her way home from the village.

"He's gone to bed," said Adaline. "You know I always put him to bed before we have supper. He talked about you while I was putting him to bed. He said 'grammy' plainer than I have ever heard him say it before. I'll have him say it for you in the morning."

In the morning! Salome gave a little start. If she stayed all night it would be the first night she had slept away from home for years. Her resolution almost failed her as she thought of Silas alone in the house she had left.

Her son-in-law saw the startled look in her face, and said, "Now, mother, you just stick it out. You show Father Knapp

self. Silent and undemonstrative as he was, Salome knew that underneath the hard crust of his seemingly impregnable heart there was a mighty depth of affection for Adaline's baby boy. Silas had secretly regretted that no son had ever been born to him, and Adaline's boy, his only grandchild, was to him all that his own son would or could have been. Salome had hoped and nightly prayed that the baby would be the magnet that would draw Silas to Tom Mowry's house. He had rarely missed going to see the baby since the birth of the child, and Salome knew that two full weeks of absence from the child must have been a great strain on the old man. "But I guess he'll stay away for good before he'll give in," she said to Tom.

"No, he won't," replied Tom. "That little chap has a mighty clutch on his heartstrings. I used to think before the baby came that he didn't have any heartstrings, but I found out that he had before the baby was a week old. He never made any fuss over the little chap, but he thinks a sight of him, all the same. I'll bet you that baby will make him break some of his iron rules sooner or later."

Three weeks passed, and there was no sign of relenting on the part of Silas. Salome would have weakened and returned home had it not been for Tom and Adaline, both of whom urged her to remain where she was, their confidence in the compelling influence of the baby being unshaken.

"He'll be coming over here some day to see the baby, and then I'll see to it that he speaks to you," said Adaline.

One day Tom Mowry and his wife drove away to the town of Vervay, eight miles distant, leaving Baby Silas in charge of his grandmother. The little fellow had not been well for a day or two, and Adaline had at first said that she would not go with her husband.

"Now, you go right along," said Salome. "I can take care of this child just as well or better than you can. He just has a little cold. 'Grammy' will

take good care of him. You go right along with Tom. It's a beautiful day for a ride."

Tom had added his persuasions to Salome's, and Adaline had finally driven away with her husband. They had been gone less than an hour when the flushed face of the child showed a fast rising temperature, and Salome held his hot little cheek to her own, and said all sorts of soothing and endearing things to the fretful child.

It was eleven o'clock, and Silas had just driven into his barn yard from the hay field. He looked tired and unhappy. Housekeeping cares had weighed heavily



THE CLOVER

Some sing of the lily and daisy and rose,
And the pansies and pinks that the summer time throws
In the green, grassy lap of the medder that lays
Blinkin' up at the skies through the sunshiny days;
But what is the lily and all of the rest
Of the flowers to a man with a heart in his breast
That has dipped brimmin' full of the honey and dew
Of the sweet clover blossoms his babyhood knew?

I never set eyes on a clover field now,
Or fool 'round the stable or climb in the mow,
But my childhood comes back just as clear and as plain
As the smell of the clover I'm sniffin' again;
And I wander away in a barefooted dream,
Where I tangle my toes in the blossoms that gleam
With the dew of the dawn of the mornin' of love
Ere it wept o'er the graves that I'm weepin' above.

And so I love clover—it seems like a part
Of the sacrest sorrows and joys of my heart;
And wherever it blossoms, oh, there let me bow,
And thank the good God as I'm thankin' him now;
And I pray to him still for the strength, when I die,
To go out in the clover and tell it good-by,
And lovingly nestle my face in its bloom,
While my soul slips away on a breath of perfume.

—James Whitcomb Riley.

that you can be just as set as he can—particularly when you are in the right. Bully for old Aunt Susan! I'm glad she stirred you up to a sense of the fact that it is very foolish of you to yield to all of Father Knapp's whims the way you have for so many years. And you are just making him worse all the time. Some of his cast-iron rules will have to be broken if you stay here with us a while. It's my belief that he will come around all right in a few days, and be glad to come over here flaunting a flag of truce. He's the last man in the world to worry along trying to keep house by himself."

But Silas had not "come around" to the extent of asking his wife to come home at the end of a week. Two weeks passed, and he had showed no sign of relenting. Salome was growing thin, pale and manifestly nervous under the stress and strain of it all.

"But don't you be discouraged, mother," said cheery Tom Mowry. "The baby will bring him around yet, see if it don't."

Salome had cherished this belief her-

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upon him. There was none of the "old betty" about him, and he loathed housework. He had a painful sense of the fact that his housekeeping had been a flat failure, and he longed for the neatness and order and the excellent cooking that obtained when Salome was at the head of his household affairs. He dreaded to go into his disorderly house and begin the preparation of his own dinner. He had a rein in his hand, and was doing it up, when Salome suddenly appeared around a corner of the barn with a shawl thrown over her head and wrapped around her. The outline of a little form was plainly visible beneath the shawl, and a mass of shining yellow curls showed on her shoulder. Silas dropped the reins, gave a little gasp, started toward her, and then stood still, with tightly compressed lips, and grim determination on his sun-burned face.

"Silas Knapp," said Salome, "you get that horse out from between those shafts just as soon as you can, and race off to town for the doctor as fast as possible. Little Silas here is burning up with scarlet fever! You know how his mother all but died with it when she was about his age! Tom and Adaline have gone to Vervay. Hurry! hurry!"

He made no reply, but dragged the harness from the horse and threw it on the ground.

"I'll go right into the house, and get the child to bed," continued Salome. "I am going to nurse this child through myself, and I can do it better here in my home. You bring the doctor here."

He mounted the horse, and then spoke for the first time. "Just one peep at the little chap before I go, Salome," he said, huskily.

She went and stood beside the horse, and drew the shawl away from the flushed face. The boy opened his eyes, made a brave attempt to smile, and said, weakly, "Grampy, little Si sick, Grampy bring doctor."

"I will that, honey," said the old man, with tear-dimmed eyes. He gave the horse full rein, and was off down the dusty road on a gallop.

A great many of Silas Knapp's iron rules had to be set aside during the six weeks little Silas was ill in the house. There were three days and nights when all that the old man cared for was the power to do something that would help to bring the little fellow back from the valley of the shadow toward which he seemed to be slowly and surely drifting. The day on which Silas had for twenty-five years driven to town in sunshine or in fearful storm to pay his taxes went by unheeded. The day on which he had for an equal number of years collected a sum of interest money due him was apparently forgotten. Many of the rules of his life that had been as unchanged as the laws of the Medes and Persians were forgotten. In all his married life he had slept in but one room in his house, but when the doctor said that for several reasons it would be best for the sick child to occupy this room during his convalescence, the old man said, gently, "Of course grandpa's little Si can have grandpa's room if he wants it. He should have it if grandpa had to sleep in the barn, so he should."

Much of the "setness" of Silas Knapp had disappeared never to return by the time the little boy was well enough to go home. The old man carried the child home in his own arms, with Salome by his side.

"I'll have to hurry back, father, for this is the day you always have apple pie for dinner, and I haven't any made," said Salome.

"You needn't bother making one," replied Silas. "I'd just as soon eat anything else you have handy for dessert. I guess that Tom and Adaline will likely

want us to stay and eat dinner with them. We'd better do it to celebrate the safe return of this little chap, and—and—well, you're going to come home to me, Salome."

And he kissed her for the first time in many years. Of course they stayed for dinner, and a happy time was enjoyed by all.

LITTLE MISSY

By FRED A JANE HOPKINS

Do you know the feeling of living in a house pervaded by an unseen presence? That was what I felt at Malvern; for so the old Virginia place was called where Jack and I settled down to rest some years after the close of the Civil War. The doctor, no wiser than the run of his craft, had prescribed the regulation thing—perfect rest, fresh air, milk, early to bed and early to rise, etc.—and Jack, being able to carry out any reasonable (nay, some unreasonable) expense, had bought this Virginia manor house for a song, and with it three hundred acres of sedge grass and young pines. He had bought the house and furniture and everything as it stood.

Colonel Baskerville had been the last one of the place, and he had been dead ten years; also Mrs. Baskerville. And there had been three children—two sons, one of whom was shot dead at Gettysburg, and the other had died of wounds and exposure. The daughter, Amy Baskerville, too, was no more. All this I gathered from the one or two persons we had met, and the old doctor, who was our nearest and only neighbor.

It was this Amy Baskerville whose

shadowy girlish presence was all over Malvern. She was only twenty when she died, as the plain headstone in the old family burying ground said. The brick walls of the graveyard were crumbling, and the iron gate had given away. Cattle and sheep browsed on the green mounds. Many of the tombs of the dead and gone Baskervilles were marble slabs supported on pillars, of which the solid brick and mortar had disappeared, leaving them like gigantic tables. The latter graves were sunken, especially those of Colonel Baskerville and his wife, over which a simple monument was raised, inscribed to the memory of Colonel Marmaduke Baskerville and Nancy, his wife. Those over the two sons were highly ornate, and bore long epitaphs. "Marmaduke, who was killed while gallantly leading his regiment, after the fall of both his colonel and lieutenant-colonel," followed by a long list of Marmaduke's virtues; and "George, who died of wounds contracted in the service of his country, at the early age of eighteen." The story was plain. The poor old colonel and his wife had put up the showy tombstones with Pity weeping

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CYCLAMEN.

I have had grand success with Cyclamen Persicum Giganteum from both seed and bulbs, and, strange to say, so few people have them. They are one of the best bloomers for the winter garden, requiring very little care. I try to pot them the first of September and for three or four weeks after, using sandy soil not too rich, with pebbles about one-half inch for drainage. I leave the whole crown above ground. I put them in a cool, dark place for three or four weeks, bringing to light a few pots about every week until all are up. Every one will be pleased for their time, as they require so little care after. In or about May 1st I put them in the cellar, and do nothing more until September again, so they are one of the best and easiest growers.—Mrs. Ernest L. Lambert, Vermont.

MORNING GLORIES.

Several years ago I decided to try growing the old-fashioned morning glory in the house for winter flowers. I had found in a field of cotton, growing wild, the largest and also the brightest pink morning glory I had ever seen in bloom. I marked the spot, and in a few weeks the seeds were ripe enough to gather. I planted four or five in a hanging basket of wandering jew (Tradescantia Multicolor). It was wonderful how fast they grew, and in about three weeks they began blooming, and from early fall until spring they were so beautiful, every one who saw them pronounced them grand. I have tried every color of morning glory for winter flowers since that time, and all colors are beautiful, but I like the pure white ones best. None of the vines grow more than two feet high, and I have had six and eight flowers on one vine stay in bloom two days from the time of blooming. I hope some flower lover will try them and report success.—E. G. Bruner, Texas.

SUCCESS WITH GERANIUMS.

I will tell you how I succeed with geraniums as house plants and how I have blossoms all winter.

In the spring, when the weather gets warm enough to put plants out of doors, I remove my two large geraniums to the north side of the house and cut back to get as many blooming points as possible, and give just enough water to keep the plants from dying. They generally lose most of their leaves. I keep all buds pinched off, and in September I repot with the very richest of soil mixed with good garden loam, and keep on the east side of the house, so they get the morning sun. I keep them there until the weather gets too cool to keep plants out

of doors, then bring them to a south window where they get lots of sunshine, and I never fail to have bloom all winter. I measured one bunch of bloom, and it measured ten inches around and six inches across.

I have from twelve to seventeen bunches of bloom on at one time. They bloom all winter and are still in bloom when taken out of doors in the spring. I keep them in large pots all of the time. They go to church lots, too, as they are needed quite often. This is a true story about my geraniums, but I have good luck with almost any flower I try to raise. My window garden is the admiration of all on our street.—Mrs. R. C. Buchanan, Iowa.

GROWING PANSIES.

Among the many flowers that I have grown for the last eight or ten years, I have had by far the best success with pansies, and in my estimation they stand near the top of the list. I have pansies in wet or dry seasons equal to any that I have ever seen. I have had a single plant to measure one foot across, and when in bloom would be a solid mass of flowers of the largest size. I have at the present flowers that measure two inches across. My pansies are a delight and admiration of all who see them.

Early in December I cover the bed one-half inch deep with droppings from the hen house, and occasionally a little lime. I spade the mass under in the spring, and set with plants that have been kept over winter raised from seed sown in late summer. I set the plants one foot apart each way. I hoe thoroughly until the weather gets dry and the plants begin to ripen off. Then I reset the bed between the old plants with plants raised from seed sown in the spring, which should bloom in a few days. I remove the old plants, and fill in between the young plants with enough clippings from the lawn to keep the ground moist. I plant in full sunlight, keep the flowers cut, that none go to seed, and I have flowers until the ground freezes.—Allen Arnold, Ohio.

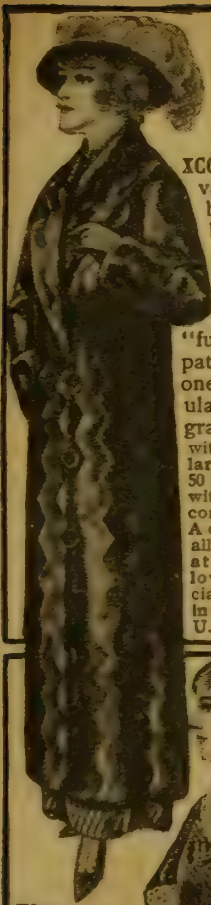
HARDY CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

I have had the best success in raising the hardy chrysanthemums. Not caring to take the trouble to raise chrysanthemums in pots, I secure the hardy varieties and place them out in the yard. I prepare the soil in the autumn by spading the ground well and placing a generous quantity of well-rotted cow manure in the soil—no danger of using too much. Nothing more is done to the soil until in the spring, just before I am ready to set out the plants; then the ground is well worked again.

I secure small hardy plants in the latter part of March and they are placed in the prepared soil about two feet apart. If dry, they are watered every week and well-rotted cow manure is worked into the soil in August.

In the fall I have an abundance of lovely flowers, though not quite so large as the pot-grown flowers, but with a great deal less trouble.

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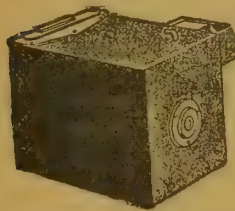
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I prepare the bed in the fall by covering with plenty of barn-yard manure, raking off the coarse in the spring and spading the fine into the soil. The bulbs are started in a box in the house in March and transplanted into the bed when danger of frost is past. Then all one has to do is just watch them grow and bloom,

as there are no insects that trouble them. The bed is on the north side of the ell of the house, having only a north and westerly exposure, the sun not striking them until two o'clock in the afternoon, and then only slantingly. I think the situation is the secret of my success with tuberous-rooted begonias.—Mrs. B. H. Merritt, Massachusetts.

SWEET PEAS.

I thought I would write a few words about the flower I had the best luck with this year. It was the running mixed sweet pea. I had them planted close to the yard fence and some grew higher than the fence, which is four feet high. I had all colors. I planted them as early as the ground would do to dig good, about four inches deep. They were slow coming, as it was so dry, and I got to watering them once in a while in the evening, and then they came fine. I kept the weeds pulled out and worked the ground quite often; as it was dry, I watered them quite a little, always doing it in the evening and working the ground the next evening, so as to keep it from baking. They bloomed fine all summer and bloomed some after the first frost. I thought that was fine. I had bouquets to wear and for the house, too. I was proud of my sweet peas, and I love all flowers.—Mrs. Maude Myers, Iowa.



ADDING TO THE SWEET PEA SEASON

Fall Planting Is Thoroughly Practical

The sweet pea has only one fault; it does not produce flowers for a long enough season! Lovers of this flower, therefore, are always on the lookout for means to increase the number of blossoms as well as to improve the quality of the flowers they get. First and foremost among the rules for securing abundant blossoms is the removal of each individual blossom as soon as it is open enough to cut. This prevents the formation of seed and thus extends the season.

Of course, this rule just given can apply only during the growing season. There are other rules that can be put in operation as late as November or December in the latitude of New York for next year's supply of blossoms. Fall planting is thoroughly practical and should be utilized first to secure the earliest possible blossoms, and thus to extend the season; second, to insure a growth in case the spring should be unfavorable. To supplement and to extend the season at the latter end of the summer a second sowing should be made in the spring. The seeds used in this sowing will not germinate nearly so quickly as those which have remained in the ground over winter, nor will the plants produced from them grow as rapidly or produce flowers as soon. Thus plants grown from the autumn-sown seed will usually begin to fall before those from the spring-sown seed will be in full bearing, and will have usually failed completely several weeks before the spring-sown plants fail.

For autumn sowing a well-drained piece of ground should be chosen. Preferably the soil itself should be somewhat lighter than that selected for spring sowing, even though the sweet pea as a rule does best in comparatively heavy soil. Prior to digging, a liberal dressing of well-decayed

natural fertilizer from the stable should be applied on the surface. This should be well buried when the ground is dug. A wheelbarrow load to two square yards is perhaps heavy enough. The next best thing is perhaps ground bone, which may be applied at the rate of a pound to the same area.

After the ground has been dug and raked, drills or rows should be made where the plan is to grow sweet peas on brush or trellises. If more than one row is to be sown, the distance between each should be at least three feet unless the varieties to be planted are known to be of very dwarf habit of growth. The seed should be covered in the drills not less than one inch deep; two inches will often be even more desirable, especially if the soil is rather light. In the drills the seeds should not be closer together than one inch. After sowing the drills should be covered with marsh hay, salt hay, corn stalks, leaves with brush to prevent blowing, or clean straw, preference being given to these materials in the order of their enumeration. Nothing else need be done to the bed until spring.

In the spring as soon as grass is noticed to be turning green, or the earliest bulbs, such as crocus, etc., send up their blossoms, the mulch should be raked away from the sweet pea roots. At this same time the stakes for the trellis may be put up, but it is not usually desirable to put up the trellis until after the plants have grown a few inches. The reason for this is that weeding can be more conveniently done if there is no trellis in the way. The best material for trellis is woven-wire fencing, preferably of a larger mesh than is usually employed for poultry fencing. The best height for standard varieties of sweet peas is about five feet.

Floral Problems

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Cucumber Blight or Mildew—Mrs. Rachel J. Crockett, Ohio—Cucumbers are subject to fungus diseases, which attack the leaves in a manner somewhat similar to the attack of mildew on grapes. The mildew spore attacks the leaves and stems, resulting in the leaves turning yellow or brown in spots, and if the attack is severe the plants are finally destroyed. Spraying with fungicides is considered the best general remedy. The writer would suggest that you scatter air-slaked lime (not water slaked) on the ground all around and underneath the plants and at the same time spray with any one of the good fungicides like Bordeaux. One of the principal points in growing melons and similar plants is thorough cultivation while the plants are young. From one of your local hardware stores or drug stores you can undoubtedly get a fungicide which at this time should come first for attention.

Propagating Dahlias—Howard Blackly, Montana—If the plants which you mention as having been recently purchased are roots, and not started, there would be time to carry on propagation this summer, as the best time for making cuttings is before the plants have been in growth. When the young shoots are six to twelve inches long, make cuttings as you would of geraniums, roses or other plants, excepting that it would be well to make the cutting with a "heel" or "eye" at the base of the cutting instead of the base of any of the cutting coming half way between the joints. This eye at the base will encourage root growth. The cuttings should be planted in boxes of clean sand, kept constantly moist. The dahlia roots easily and you should have no trouble in having a success with them. Provide small pots for transplanting the cuttings, and if the work is taken up at once you should be able to secure an increased number of roots by fall.

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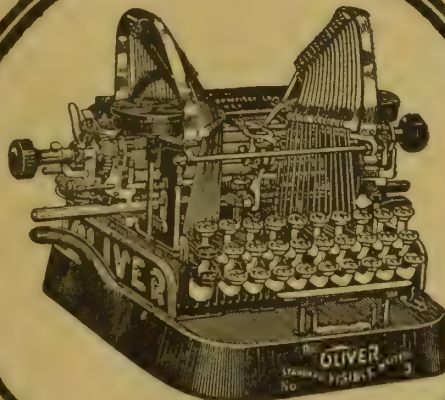
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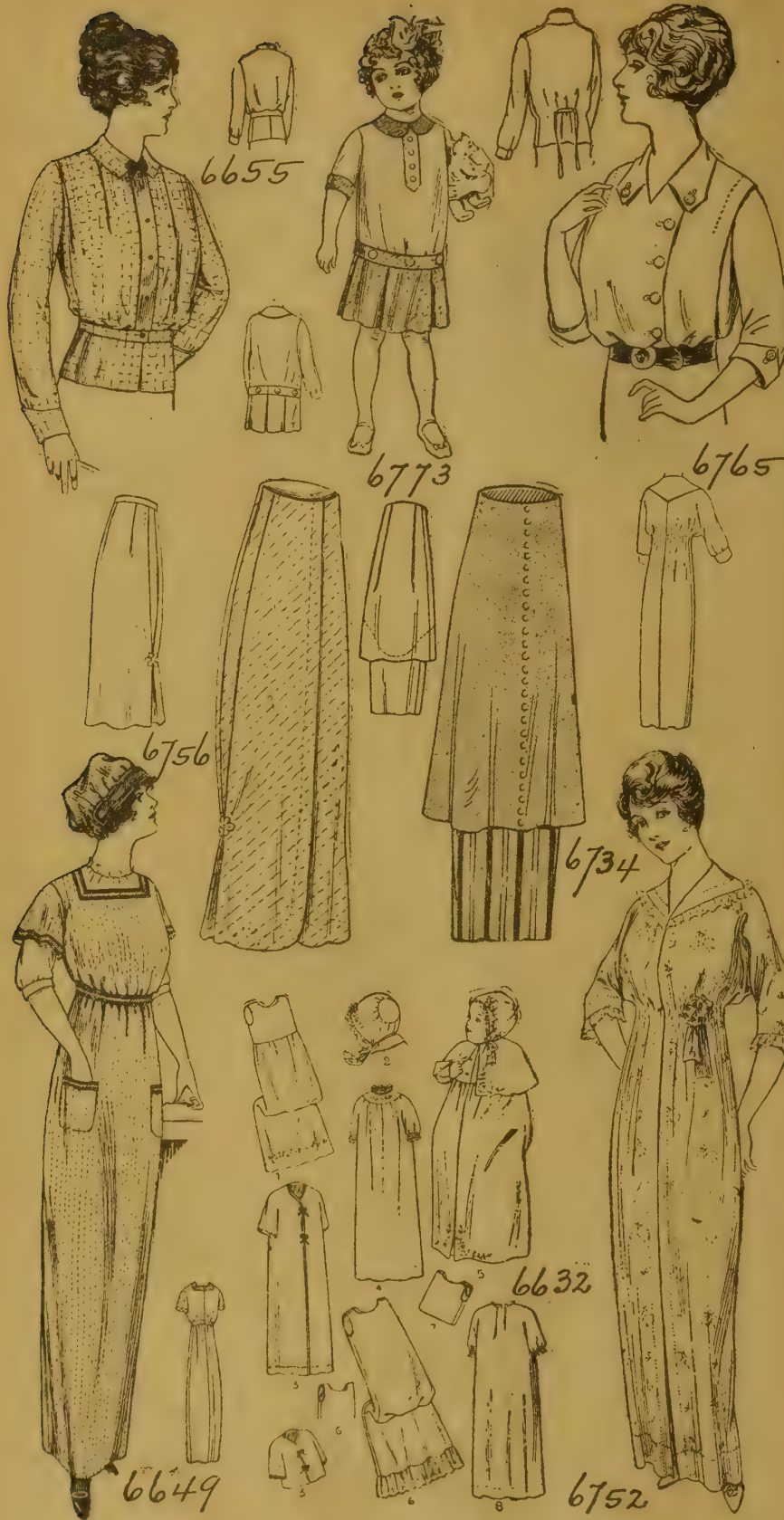
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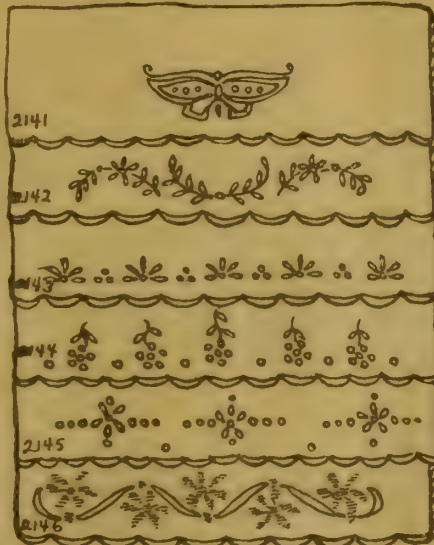
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Aunt Jane's Page

TO "THE SUFFERIN' NEAT."

There was a little woman
In very sorry plight;
For, strange to tell, this woman
Disliked to dwell with light.

She closed her blinds up tightly,
Then draped the windows o'er,
For fear the blessed sunshine
Would spoil her walls and floor.

This dainty little woman
Grew very pale and thin,
Just like the weak potato sprouts
In cellars deep and dim.

Ah, silly little woman!
You have faded out of sight,
Because you would not let in
The sweetness of God's light.

To remove fruit stains

Alcohol softens most fruit stains, especially if it is warmed over hot water. Soaking in milk also helps. After softening the stain pour boiling water through the cloth. Dampened powdered starch applied instantly will take out almost any fruit stain from wash goods if left several hours.

Some fruit and wine stains, especially those of apple and pear, and some clarets are very difficult to remove. If they are boiled gently (after soaking) in some strong borax and water, well rinsed, then hung out dripping wet in the sunshine, or during a frosty night, the stains will usually disappear.

A bed for baby while traveling

A unique and comfortable bed for baby while traveling may be made of a Japanese straw telescope traveling case. Line the bottom piece as pretty as you please and tack a little flounce all around the edge of the top, letting it hang over the outside. This flounce may be folded back in the case when the cover is put on, or may be dispensed with entirely if desired. Put a little mattress and tiny pillow in, or simply a good-sized pillow for a mattress, and some coverings, and baby will have a very comfortable little bed. When he is wide awake all his belongings may be carried in the case, the cover being strapped on. When baby is occupying the wee cot all the clothing, etc., may be placed in the cover.

Zinc for kitchen tables

A good suggestion to any housekeeper is to use zinc on all places in the kitchen where she works. For instance, a working table covered with zinc, or a shelf put before a pleasant kitchen window where one can do all her dirty work, cutting of vegetables, meat, etc., is a great saving of time when one would otherwise have to get out a board.

If you have a plate gas stove on a table, have the table covered with zinc by all means. It is safer, and when dishing up one can set hot kettles from the stove on it, thus making it easier to dish up and serve the meal.

If one burns kerosene, have a table covered with zinc on which to fill the lamps.

Economy in cooking and serving

When one fruit or vegetable is expensive, substitute another, always considering the food value of the article. It is important that every housekeeper should experiment with the fireless cooker. It can be made a success, particularly with

foods that require a long time in cooking. Where gas is used for cooking, economize by cooking over one burner. The writer purchased a large, old-fashioned steamer for a trifle. In this four or five of the three-pound lard pails with covers can be used. In one can be potatoes, in others cabbage, onions, etc., a pudding, rice, and even the coffee. A beef loaf may be placed in a larger pail in the kettle of water under the steamer, and, if necessary, another steamer may be placed over this one and a dish of apples cooked for another meal. When tomatoes are to be cooked use a bowl. Experiments will show you the wonderful possibilities in the old-fashioned steamer. When obliged to use the gas oven, plan to use it for the entire meal. In this way you can cut down your gas bills. Always make foods palatable. A high authority declares that palatable food is more digestible and nourishing than that which does not please the palate. Some of the best French dishes are made from the cheaper cuts. Do not allow your family to know all your secrets of making palatable dishes from cheaper foods, for it is human to cry for things beyond one's reach and to despise the attainable.

Boiling potatoes

It requires quite a bit of knowledge to boil a potato as a potato deserves boiling.

To begin with, there is one absolute rule to be remembered in cooking all green vegetables. They should be washed in cold water and cooked in boiling water. Salt should be added in the proportion of one teaspoonful to each quart of water, but whether at the beginning of the process of cooking or after the vegetables are partially cooked is a matter of choice.

It will take half an hour to boil potatoes. It may take longer. Potatoes should never be boiled at a furious bubble. They should be treated to continuous and gentle boiling.

Old potatoes should be soaked in cold water for at least an hour after being pared before they are boiled. As soon as they are tender they should be drained thoroughly, allowed to dry by shaking them in the sauce pan and setting them on the back of the range, where they are covered with a coarse towel until serving time. Then they must be served in an open dish. Never put a cover over any potatoes when they are sent to the table.

Beating is the secret of good mashed potatoes. After they are boiled, drain and shake loose in the sauce pan, and then mash them with a wire masher. Add plenty of butter, a dash of pepper and salt to taste, and have the milk hot and enough of it to make the potato mixture creamy. After it is added beat with a silver fork and then heap it lightly in the dish. Never pat or smooth it.

If you want a change from the regulation mashed potatoes, try potato balls. To each pint of hot mashed potatoes add an eighth of a teaspoonful of celery salt and some chopped parsley and form into round, smooth balls and fry in a basket in deep fat, or bake in butter in the oven.

Italian potatoes are delicious and add much to a dinner where there are no other vegetables. Take two cups of hot mashed potatoes and add a teaspoonful of onion juice, a tablespoonful of finely chopped parsley, the well-beaten yolk of one egg, the stiffly-beaten whites of four eggs, half a cup of grated cheese, a dash of paprika and salt to taste; beat thoroughly, heap in a buttered baking dish, and bake till light brown.

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When you go on gettin' troubled, and the world seems upside down,
When misfortune stares upon you, with an awful-lookin' frown,
There's a cheerfulness in knowin', when it's dark for me an' you,
That the sun is always shinin' an' the sky is always blue.

When the clouds appear the thickest an' the daylight seems withdrawn,
An' the hopeful joy of livin' seems to be entirely gone,
Just remember, at the darkest, just a little distance through,
That the sun is always shinin' an' the sky is always blue.

So there ain't no use in frettin' at the hardships that we meet,
For the birds are still a singin' an' the flowers are just as sweet;
An' behind the deepest shadow there's a heap of promise too,
For the sun is always shinin' an' the sky is always blue.

SUNSHINE LESSON.

Q. What is our name for the golden thread that runs through the warp and woof of every great religion that has touched the hearts and guided human beings?

A. Sunshine.

Q. What, then, does our Sunshine include?

A. Showing ourselves, and appreciating in others, cheerfulness, kindness and helpfulness, accepting the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man, not as an abstraction, but as an hourly guide to conduct.

Q. Is our movement, then, a new one?

A. No. It is as old as the oldest recorded relations between mortals.

Q. Is it an independent movement?

A. No. It is dependent on the religions held by more than fifteen hundred millions of men and women and children of today in all parts of the world; all nominal Sunshiners.

Q. Is it, therefore, an unneeded, a superfluous movement, an agitation for what every one practices already?

A. If what we agitate for were universally practiced, the movement would be unneeded and superfluous. It is not universally practiced, it is only universally accepted as a theory. The Humane Societies, the Temperance Societies, the Holy Name Societies, emphasize humanity to animals, abstinence from alcohol, the vice of profanity. We emphasize cheerfulness, kindness, helpfulness. We have no rivalry with any religion. Our aim is only to point the gold thread of Sunshine running through them all.

Q. What, then, is the Sunshine Creed?

A. We believe that all shadows are meant to make us realize the light; that all gloominess is blindness; that the blessing of all blessings is clearness of sight; and that the world is always and everywhere a good world to live in.

NOTICE TO SHUT-INS.

If you are in need of cheer only, send us a well-written reference from your doctor or minister or business firm, telling us of your condition and worthiness. Please do not ask for aid. If you have anything to sell, trying to make an honest living, we will be glad to mention in our Exchange Column, if you send a very short account of your work and prices, on a separate sheet of paper, written very plainly. These rules must be obeyed, or you may not see your name in the Exchange Column. Do not send letter without reference. Do not ask for membership in our society just to get help for yourself. You must send reference for this.

WHERE TO SEND CHEER.

If a kindness I may show,
If a good deed I may do,
To any suffering fellow-man,
Let me do it while I can;
Nor delay it, for 'tis plain
I shall not pass this way again.

Mrs. Mary Bradley, of Pierson, Mich., is 70 years old. She has been blind twenty-three years. She would appreciate being remembered in any kind way.

Miss Bessie Smith, 818 West Division Street, Springfield, Mo., a young shut-in, suffers a great deal. She asks for cheer. Would like to have sofa-pillow tops. She thanks the one who sent her dimes and stamps.

Mrs. N. J. Garrison, R. F. D., Piedmont, S. C., is another wheel-chair invalid. She has not walked in fourteen years. She does not need financial aid, but would appreciate any cheer. She is not able to sew, so the time hangs heavily.

Mrs. Ida Lyon, of Spangle, Wash., Box 6, longs for comforting letters, cards, etc. She was formerly a school teacher. After several severe operations, which took all her money, she was forced to go to the County Home. Please do not forget her.

Miss Annie Peavy, of Roanoke, Ala., comes to us on a postal asking for cheer. She has been a shut-in, suffering many years. She gets very blue and discouraged. Their crops are all burned, and the family feels the loss like many more. Send her some cheer real soon.

Miss Ida Bryant, Pierson, Mich., has not walked for twenty-eight years. She asks for cheer. She is only able to do a little sewing or embroidery. She would like to receive stamps, so she can write to other shut-ins. Would also like to get pieces of linen or scrim.

Mrs. Mamie Coyle, 39 Union Street, Newark, Ohio, sent appreciation for all kindness sent to her. Especially is she grateful to the one in Loveland, Ohio. She is now very ill. Please do not forget her. Remember all she has of this world's goods comes to her from friends and neighbors, so any aid would mean a great deal.

Mrs. Myrtle I. Traver, 104 Buffalo Street, Jamestown, N. Y., would appreciate any cheer. Especially would she be glad for stamps or stationery. "Thirty years of invalidism means much suffering, and being remembered helps so very much. I eagerly await the postman's call," says Mrs. Traver. She thanks all for past kindness shown.

Who will send a sweet grass work basket to one of our shut-ins? She has never asked for anything for herself before, but is always doing for others. She longs for such a basket, to keep little things in, to have ready to send out to the shut-ins. If you have such a basket you could make the heart of this shut-in very happy. Address Miss Esther Levy, Cornwall, N. Y., Box 314.

Mr. Frank F. Randolph, of Blanchester, Ohio, Clinton County, is blind and crippled. His sister wrote to us to please ask our readers to send good magazines and papers to him containing good, clean, wholesome stories. He cannot read blind print magazines, but she is willing to read to him. Their parents are both gone, and he is more lonely than ever. Here is a good place to send good stories. Deep, scientific reading is not desired.

A worthy case has come to us. Mrs. Ida Fisher, 608 West State Street, Olean, N. Y., has just recovered from a stroke of paralysis, which has left her in a helpless manner. She is not able to use one hand at all, so of course is unable to sew or make fancy work. She enjoys writing and would be glad to hear from the Sunshiners, as she gets very lonely. Her birthday was August 8th, so please mark the date in your birthday booklets for next year. She would appreciate any little cheer sent to her.

Miss Frances Royce, of East Shorcham, Vt.

is very thankful for cheery letters and cards which come from the Sunshiners. She wants to thank "Lauretta," of Somerville, Mass., for all of the interesting and instructive letters, post cards, and the box of cake—all gave her a great deal of pleasure. She also thanks the one from Connecticut who sends her five or six cards in an envelope for her use. She asks not to be forgotten and she does hope that "Lauretta" will not forget her, as she enjoys her letters. Miss Royce is very much better and is so thankful because she can get around.

Mrs. Russell Davis, R. F. D. 4, Xenia, Ohio, is a wheel-chair invalid. Her daughter teaches school and cares for the mother and father. The latter has rheumatism. They are a very worthy family. We feel that any cheery letter or card would be greatly appreciated and help to while away the long hours while the daughter is absent. Good magazines might be a help, as the daughter reads to the mother. All the cares of the household falls on the shoulders of this young daughter, and we feel sure a kind, cheery letter to her would mean much. Her name is Miss Elsie Davis, same address as her mother's.

Mrs. Fannie L. Reed, one of our active Sunshiners, has given up a large art class in Oregon, Mo., and is now teaching in an orphan's school in Elhanan, N. C. She is teaching art, sewing, music, and Bible class, also is assistant post-mistress, all without one cent of pay. She loves her work, as she is helping these orphan boys and girls to be brought up in a Christian way. She says Sunshiners could do much to brighten the lives of these boys and girls by sending cheer. Ribbons, neckties, books, magazines, cards, anything dear to the heart of young boys and girls would be greatly accepted. Any one wishing to help in this missionary work in this way could write to Mrs. Reed. She is depending entirely on faith for her support.

EXCHANGE COLUMN.

Mr. Robert Russell, 1767 Dean Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., paints the following articles on the best of satin: Sachet bags, 55 cents, \$1.00 and \$1.50 a pair; book marks, 25 cents and 35 cents; pincushion tops, \$3.00 and more, according to size; pillow tops, \$3.00 up. Mr. Russell lies on his couch and does this work. He does this work to help support himself.

Miss Clara H. Wilmarth, formerly of St. Johnsbury, Vt., 37 Caledonia Street, has moved with her sister to Lyndon, Vt. She is a very deserving shut-in. Lies on her couch and paints to help support herself. Her work in water colors is very beautiful. She makes beautiful Christmas cards at 15, 20 and 25 cents each and small pictures for 50 cents. We are sure you will be pleased with her work, and every order helps her so much.

Painting taught by correspondence, also order work done. Work on tapestry on white or any color velvetine except black. Pincushions, pillow tops, piano scarfs, etc., also the same may be made in oil on various material, such as satin, sateen, wash goods, as a medium is used to set colors. White aprons, little white dust caps or the same in black sateen can be painted. Also shirt waists. Pictures of animals, flowers, fruit, figures or scenery, any size that can be sent by mail. Dainty pictures in water colors also. Send for prices to Miss Henrietta Pierce, Little Bethel Homestead, Catlin, N. D. (Hovrud Box).

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A magazine, Biblical and undenominational, is about to be printed by the Home. It will be called The White Slave Crusader and Temperance Advocate. It will be 75 cents per year. No doubt many will want this. With each yearly subscription they are going to give a copy of "Steps with Christ." For any further information about the Home or paper write to Mr. E. A. Brown, Solicitor, Oskaloosa, Iowa, Mission Home.

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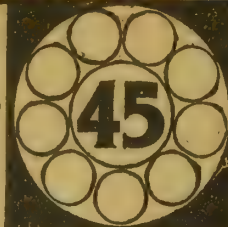
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Macaroni with Sausage—Cook until nearly done in plenty of salted water one-half package of macaroni, drain and put in layers in a baking dish, adding gradually some good beef gravy, four tablespoonfuls of tomato puree, and some thin slices of sausage. Sprinkle generously with grated cheese and bake about 20 minutes.

Cornmeal Crisps—To seven-eighths of a cupful of cornmeal add gradually, while stirring constantly, one cupful of boiling water; when perfectly smooth add two and one-half teaspoonfuls of melted butter and one-half teaspoonful of salt. Spread on a buttered inverted dripping pan, and bake until well browned. Cut into squares, remove from the oven and arrange on a hot plate.

Pineapple Cake—Mix one egg, half a cupful of butter, three-quarters of a cupful of sugar, three-quarters of a cupful of milk, one and a half teaspoonfuls of baking powder, and two and a half cupfuls of flour. Bake in two layers and when ready to serve put pineapple which has been grated on two layers of cake. Whip half a pint of cream, sweeten to taste, and put over the pineapple.

Potato Dumplings—Take two cupfuls of hot mashed potatoes, add salt and a little nutmeg, one egg, well beaten, one-half cupful of croutons of bread, browned in butter, and a teaspoonful of fine chopped parsley; mix well together, form into balls, roll in flour, and cook in boiling salted water ten minutes. Remove carefully, put on a dish and cover with browned butter and bread crumbs browned in butter.

Rice and Tapioca Pudding—A variation of the usual rice pudding calls for equal quantities of rice and tapioca—one-half cupful of each. Cook in a double boiler in three pints of milk until the tapioca is transparent, then add one cupful of seeded raisins, one cupful of sugar, one teaspoonful of nutmeg. Bake this in a moderate oven for three hours, adding more milk if necessary.

Honey Cake—Into a pound and a half of flour stir the grated rind of a lemon, a salt-spoonful of powdered cloves, four tablespoonfuls of sugar and one-half teaspoonful of cinnamon with one-half pound of warmed honey. When mixed and kneaded let it rise for an hour. Work it down, roll out an inch thick, place in round baking tins, sprinkle over the dough chopped nuts and brown sugar. When thoroughly baked, in a moderate oven, cut into strips and eat fresh or when cold.

German Coffee Bread—Pour one cupful of scalded milk over one-third cupful of sugar, one-third cupful of butter and one-third teaspoonful of salt. When lukewarm, add one yeast cake dissolved in one-fourth cupful of lukewarm water, two eggs, slightly beaten, and enough flour to make a stiff batter. Beat well and spread in a buttered tin. Cover with three-fourths cupful of soft bread crumbs, two tablespoonfuls of melted butter, two tablespoonfuls of chopped almonds, and three-fourths teaspoonful of cinnamon.

Meat and Vegetable Roast—This is a good way to use a less choice piece of meat. Flour meat well and put in a pan. I generally use a steel spider. Peel potatoes and onions, put in by side of the meat. Salt and pepper all. Make a good meat pie crust and cover the top of the pan with it, leaving small opening in the center to allow the steam to escape. Put in the oven or boil for a while on the back of the stove, then put in the oven to bake the crust. This will make meat tender and juicy that would otherwise be tough.

Fruit Salad—Three oranges, three bananas, one-half pound of Malaga grapes, one-half cupful of pineapple chopped, sugar to taste, juice of one lemon, twelve English walnut meats. Cut the oranges in two crosswise, reserving the peel as salad cups. Remove the pulp separately from each section. Remove the skins and seeds from the grapes. Mix the orange pulp, grapes and pineapple, sprinkle with sugar, add the lemon juice and let stand in a cool place for several hours. Before serving add the bananas sliced, and the walnut meats. Fill the orange shells with this mixture.

Apple Pandowdy—Put in a deep baking dish slices of juicy sour apples, almost cover them with maple syrup and season with a trace of butter and cinnamon or nutmeg. Cover the dish with a rich biscuit crust and bake in a slow oven until the crust and apples are done. Then remove the crust without breaking it and put half the apples on a plate. Place over them the crust, turned bottom upward, and on it spread the rest of the apples. Serve with rich cream—the skimmed kind. Brown sugar may be used in place of syrup, if it is preferred. Peaches and all kinds of berries can be used in place of apples. The apples, if cooked slowly, will turn a rich red.

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LITTLE MISSY

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over an urn, and their executors had put up the plain stones over the father and mother and little Amy.

Hanging in the grim library, with its few old-fashioned books upon the rickety shelves, were portraits of the colonel, a veritable Virginia colonel, with a tremendous shirt ruffle rushing out of his generous bosom, and his rosy face wearing a look of majestic solemnity common in portraits, but which I don't suppose Colonel Baskerville ever wore for five consecutive minutes in his life. Then there were portraits of George and Marmaduke, both handsome lads, both as alike as two peas, and besides a portrait of little Amy. I fancied she was about sixteen when it was painted. It was so sweet, so sad! There was not a trace of weakness in the half-womanish, half-childish mouth and chin. In the delicate, well-poised head I could see more will-power, more intellect, than in the portly colonel and both of the handsome, frank-faced boys put together. This was not Amy's only picture. There was an old daguerreotype on the drawing-room table which revealed her in a white dress, and half a dozen faded photographs of her in her riding habit, in fancy dress, in numerous other costumes and attitudes, sometimes with one, sometimes with another, of her brothers; and a whole bookful of sketches, scribbled all over, "The Book of Amy. Life and Adventures of Amy Baskerville. By G. B., Esq." in which G. B., who had considerable skill, pictured Amy in numberless grotesque and humiliating circumstances, and once or twice, as she must truly have been, graceful and picturesque.

One afternoon, sitting on the porch, around which the vines had grown in neglected luxuriance, I saw an old negro woman coming up the pathway toward the house. She was very infirm, and leaned upon the shoulder of a little darky about ten years old, who dutifully supported her. She stopped at the foot of the steps, and with an old-fashioned courtesy, said, "Good-evenin', my mistis."

"Good-evening, auntie," I replied, having learned that much of Southern etiquette. "Won't you walk in and rest yourself?"

She crept painfully up the steps, and sat down in the rush-bottomed chair I offered her. The little darky squatted on the steps, and fixed a pair of bright black beads on me, which he never removed.

"You will scuse me, lady, fur troublin' you so much as ter come here. But I hed to come—I hed to come. It seemed like I couldn't die twell I hed seed de ole place."

"You are quite welcome," I replied.

"You see," she said, glancing deprecatingly at me while she smoothed down the clean but faded handkerchief on her breast, "I was de head 'oman in dis here house. I was ole mistis' maid, an' den I nuss dem two boys, an' Miss Amy, an' arter dey was all gone I went too. But I done hed de ager so bad, an' I feel so po'ly I don't never spect ter be able ter git here no mo'. So I come, jest ter tell ole marse an' all un 'em how things is lookin'." Kase I specs ter find 'em all when I gits ter glory, an' ole marse he sho ter say, 'Keziah, how's things goin' at Malvern?' Lord! when I got ter tell him de Yankees done bought de place an' livin' here!"

"Wouldn't you like to go inside?" I said. "It's very little changed since we came."

"Thankee, lady," she said, rising and hobbling to the hall door. I heard her uncertain step going toward the library; then a long pause, and a quicker return. "I kaint do it!—I kaint," she panted, sitting down in her chair. "I thot I'd go ev'whar, all 'bout de house, an' set down in ev'ry room; but seems ter me I hear dem voices callin'—ole marse bawlin' out 'Keziah!' an' little missy (she lisp when she talk) she say 'Kethiah'—an' I couldn't stay no longer. I was sorry I come."

"Was it very long ago that it all happened?" I asked.

"Twarn't so long dat I kin forgit it. Fust time I ever feel like trouble was comin' was one mornin' when little marse—dat was Marmaduke, an' all de black folks call him young marse, 'cause he was tall like he pa, an' was more'n twenty-one; but I hed done rock him when he was a baby, an' I never could call him nothin' but little marse—he rid away fur ter whip de Yankees. He helped ter raise a compny, an' he was 'lected cap'n, an' dat mornin', right arter breakfast, he was gwine away. All de black folks 'bout de house was out here on dis here porch fur ter tell him good-by, an' marse an' missis an' little missy, an' Marse George an' me, an' all on 'em was smilin' an' mighty gay 'cept me an' Marse George. He was lookin' sorter black an' sulky 'cause he want ter go ter de war too; but he warn't but sixteen years old, an' ole marse an' missis wouldn't let him. When little marse come out, he look so fine in his bran'-new uniform, an' Jake—dat was de body-servant—was settin' on one o' marse's best horses, holdin' little marse's horse by de bridle, an' jes a-grinnin', he was so happy. Young marse had de sword in he hand; little missy—she warn't but fifteen—tooken it from him an' snatch he cap off, an' strut up an' down to make ole marse laugh; an' den she buckle de sword on ag'in, an' little marse he went up an' shook hands wid ole marse, an' he say, 'Good-by, father. You'll see me back 'fore de leaves fall. 'Twon't take long ter whip dem chicken-hearted Yankees.' An' missis she hol' him in her arms, an' she kiss him, but she keep on smilin' an' never shed a tear."

"I cry so hard I had ter run upsta'rs, an' I went in little marse's room, an' set down in de cheer, an' cried twell I couldn't cry no mo'. I got up den, an' was gittin' out he nice white shirts an' he high beaver hat fur ter put 'em away 'ginst he come home, when little missy she walk in. Her cheeks was white like chalk, an' her big black eyes hed a kinder skeert look in 'em, an' she steal up ter me, an' say, 'Oh, mammy, do you think he'll ever come back?' an' fust thing I know she was cryin' wusser'n me, an' I jes took her in my lap like I useter when she was a little gal, an' set down, an' say, 'Hish! hish! in course he's gwine ter come back.' All dat day little missy she hang on ter me. Ole marse he staid down in de fiel' makin' 'tense he was lookin' arter de han's, an' missis she shet herself up in de storeroom ter fix up de house-keepin' book, an' I didn't see neither one twell dinner time. Den dey talk mighty cheerful, an' little missy she plague George 'bout gwine ter de army, but I didn't hear none on 'em say a word 'bout little marse. But I knew dey didn't furgit him. Arter dat things was mighty cur'us. Missis she couldn't git no mo' clo'es, an' she put away all her fine silks

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an' satins, an' all little missy's, too, an' her diamond comb, an' her lace shawl, an' wore nothin' but homespun. But one night I was settin' by de chamber fire, an' I hear a cart come up ter de front do'; an' I wonder what kin' o' folks 'twas comin' dat time o' night in a cart. So I run out an' open de do' as soon as I heerd de knock—an' 'twas our Jake. 'Whar's little marse?' I ask him, ketchin' hol' on him. Jake look at me, an' he couldn't speak. An' I hear ole marse an' missis comin'; an' sumpin' was in de cart all covered up, an' two men was takin' it out. When Jake seed missis, he start ter tremble; an' ole marse he shout, 'Whar's yo' marster? Whar's my son?' An' Jake he pint ter de cart."

At this point she stopped. She took out a tattered handkerchief and began to finger it nervously. The afternoon shadows had lengthened since she had begun.

"Dey bring de coffin in de parlor, an' sot it down on cheers. He look jes like he did de mornin' he rid away, but bofe legs was broke. Nobody teched him but me an' Jake. He hed two letters in he pocket, an' one was a letter I hed done got little missy ter write fur me, tellin' him ter take keer o' himself. Ole marse he do mighty queer. Arter ev'rything was fixed, he come an' set down by de coffin, an' he never cry nor nothin'—he jes put he han' ev'y now an' den on little marse's head, an' say, 'My son, my son Marma-duce!' Missis she set by him, an' talk ter him, an' pray wid him, an' read de Bible ter him, an' seem like she didn't think 'bout nothin' but comfortin' ole marse. Little missy she creep upstairs into little marse's room an' flung herself on de floor, an' lay like she was dead, twell I took her up in my arms, an' settin' down in de rockin' cheer, she see me cryin', an' she cry, too.

"Ole marse he do jes de same arter de funeral. He set an' look at little marse's pictur, an' he wouldn't let nobody move he whip offn de rack, nor a ole pyar o' spurs o' little marse's.

"George hed been 'way at school. But one day a letter come. Marse George hed done run away ter jine de army. When dat letter come I seed missis put on a look I ain't furgot ter dis day. Georgie was her favorite. An' 'fo' de winter was out—'twas in de fall when Georgie run away—he died in de horspital. He hed been writin' 'twarn't nothin' matter wid him, an' he'd be outen de horspital 'fo' missis could git ter him; but she was gwine ter start de naix day. Ole marse fotch him home. He warn't eighteen, an' he hed a little muffstach comin', an' he didn't look any older den little missy when dey laid him by little marse. He was de handsomest o' all de chillen.

"Dat kill missis. Ole marse he done fur her jest like she hed done fur him, an' little missy stay by her night an' day; but one night, when de doctor say she was gittin' better, she call me, an' she say, 'Keziah, I'm dyin', an' I know it. Don't leave yo' marster an' Amy. Stay by 'em faithful like you has been ter me an' de boys.' An' de very naix week she died. Missis was a Christian, if ever I seed one. She would 'a' lived if she could; but what kilt Georgie kilt her, too. Seemed ter me arter dat like po' Keziah have ter see ole marse an' little missy go, too; but I kep' up as well as I knowed how. Little missy was mighty pretty den. She was mos' twenty, an' she kep' gittin' mo' an' mo' like Georgie. De war was over den, an' some de han's went off, an' dere warn't nobody but me in de house, an' de cook

an' Jake did de res' o' de work. Ole marse he walk 'bout like he didn't keer fur nothin'. One day two men drive up in a shiny new buggy, an' I hear 'em talkin' mighty sassy to ole marse on de porch, an' presny ole marse stan' up, an' he say out loud, 'Gent'men, take all. Take my plantation, my house an' furniture, my horses an' cattle an' stock an' ev'rything. I'm a bankrupt', but I'm a honest man.' An' dey try ter smoothe him down, an' arter a while dey went off.

"'Bout dat time I heerd dere was some Yankee oficers campin' out in de woods, an' one afternoon one on 'em rid up ter de do', an' got down. Ole marse an' little missy was settin' out—'twas summer time. De minute I seed him I seed he was like little marse, an' little missy seed it, too, 'cause she tole me so. He was tall an' handsome, an' when he walk up de steps he bowed low ter bofe on 'em an' hol' he cap in he hand all de time he was talkin'. He tole ole marse he was a ingineer, an' hed come ter make some maps or sumpin' an' he hed done foun' a good place fur a camp on de place, an' de government tell him he kin camp anywhar, but he wouldn't like ter put he tents an' things 'cept he hed ole marse's consent. Ole marse say, 'De government done took my two sons, all my servants, my horses, cattle, sheep, an' ev'rything I hed, so I s'pose it can take my plantation, too.' De ofrifer turned red as a beet, an' so did little missy, an' she got up an' put her hand on ole marse's shoulder an' said, 'Father!' jes like missis. Den marse sorter cooled down, an' said he didn't keer a cuss 'bout de camp, an' de ofrifer thank him like he hed give him de plantation, an' den he made a bow, an' one ter little missy, an' git on he horse an' ride away.

"Arter dat he was here ev'y day. 'Twas allers ter see ole marse 'bout sumpin'—'bout de crick, an' de way de lan' slope, an' sich; but I watch him, an' I see he warn't half listenin' ter ole marse, an' he kep' he eyes on little missy. An' she use ter look at him sometimes, an' smile, an' turn away. An' den he met me on de road one Sunday when I was gwine ter meetin', an' he stop he horse an' say, 'Good-mornin', aunty. How's yo' mistis?' An' when I tole him she was right peart, he laugh, an' drop a gol' dollar in my han'. I went home an' tole little missy, an' she turn red, an' say, 'It was very saucy o' him, mammy, an' I've got a great mind ter make you send dat dollar back.' But she didn't.

"He kep' comin', an' missy kep' gittin' kinder ter him, an' he was so perlite an' so tall an' good-lookin' I couldn't help thinkin' she'd fall in love wid him. An' one night he come, an' arter he hed done tole ole marse good-night, she come ter de do', an' he axed her ter come out on de porch, an' presny, arter he hed been talkin' ter her in a kinder whisper, he stand up straight an' open he arms, an' she slip in an' laid her head on he shoulder.

"Jes den ole marse come out. He look so white it skeered me. Little missy raise her head, but de ofrifer wouldn't let go her han'. Ole marse he shake like he hed de ager, an' he say, 'Take yo' choice. Go wid dat man, an' take yo' father's curse, an' never darken dese do's agin, or sen' him away whar he b'longs, an' never speak ter him agin.' De ofrifer say, 'Colonel Baskerville, I love yo' daughter, an' she loves me. You can't separate us. But ole marse he pinte he finger, an' he holler, 'Take yo' choice.' An' little missy she stan' 'fo' a minute or two like stone,

an' den she take he han' away. 'Father can't do widout me; you can. It would kill him. You must go.' De ofricer he look like he would hol' on ter her, but she turn an' walk in de house, an' he got on he horse, lookin' black an' mizerbul, an' gallop off as hard as he could.

"I seed a look naix day in little missy's face like missis when dey got dat letter 'bout Georgie. She was gwine ter die—I knowed it. Warn't nothin' matter wid her—she went like missis. Ole marse he done ev'ything fur her; she never say a cross word ter him, but I b'lieve he wish she hed. Ev'y night I ondress her an' put her ter bed like when she was a little gal, an' ev'y night she got lighter an' lighter. 'Oh, mammy,' she would say, 'I'm so tired!' an' she didn't do nothin', either. Ole marse he walk de floor all night. I heerd him, an' so did little missy. 'Po' father!' she would say. Den one day, arter de doctor hed been here an' gone, ole marse he go in de libery an' he write a letter, an' he tear it up; an' he write 'nother one, an' he tear dat one up; an' at las' he write one an' he taken it upsta'rs an' he lay it on little missy's bed an' went out. 'Twas ter de ofricer. Little missy she read it, an' she say, 'It's too late.' An' sho 'nough, 'twas."

She stopped again and paused. The shadows were very long by this. It was nearly night.

"He got here befo' dey put her in de groun'. He stan' by de grave, an' when de yearth fell in on de coffin he said ter himself, 'Amy! Amy!'"

"I staid by ole marse. I knowed 'twarn't fur long. It come one day when he was settin' on he cheer. He didn't move fur so long I was skeered. I went up to him, an' he was dead. Arter dat I went away. De ofricer he give me some money, an' he tole me he'd sen' me some mo' ev'y year—an' dat's what I lives on. I kain't come here no mo'. I kain't go ter de graveyard. Ev'ywhar I see my chillen like when dey was little I hear little missy sayin', 'Kethiah! Kethiah!' I specs ter see 'em soon, an' I wants ter tell 'em 'bout de ole place. I thankee kindly fur takin' keer o' things."

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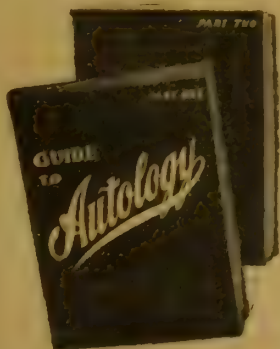
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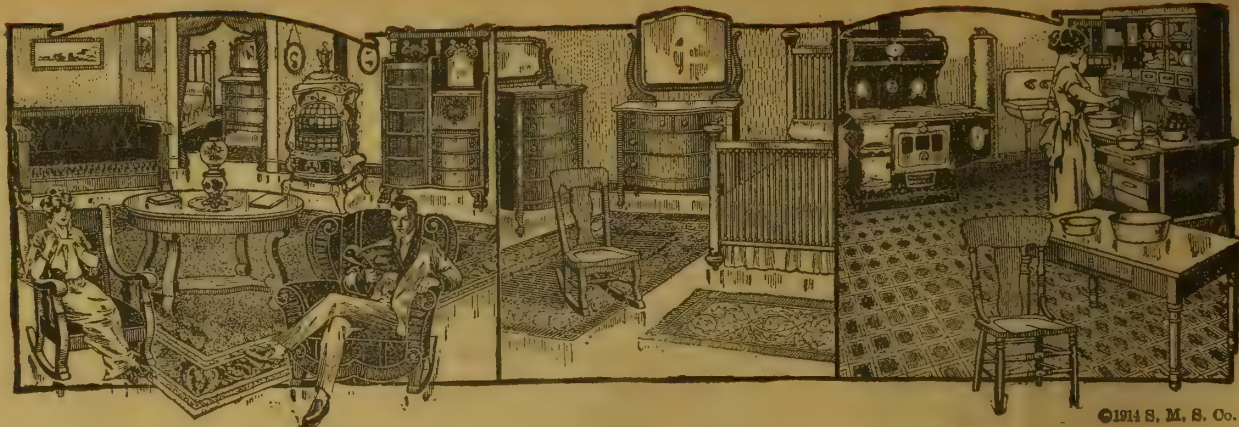
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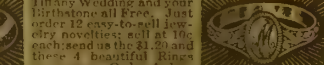
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THE BIG-FOOTED GIRL OF THE BRAZOS

By WILL ALLEN DROMGOOLE

"I wouldn't mind being big and awkward and ugly and all the rest if it wasn't for my feet," said Bet.

Mrs. Seers, the nearest neighbor, who had stopped on her way from the town of Waco, twenty miles distant, held up her hands in horror.

"The land o' mercy!" said she. "And how would you make out without 'em in this here sun-baked, Injun-ha'nted country, I'd like to know? Time you've trotted over these prairies long as me you'll be wishing you was a centipede, mighty nigh, and that every foot was as big as a buffalo and as strong as an ox, and that you could onhook 'em and use one pair at a time, saving of the best pair for Sundays, maybe."

The girl laughed as she hooked her churn dasher on the peg behind the kitchen door, where the sun and wind could sweeten and freshen it for the next churning.

She did not confide to her visitor that she had overheard a woman speak of her at the singing school the week before as "the big-footed girl of the Brazos country," nor that the words had hurt her and set her to casting up the slights fate had put upon her in not investing her with certain feminine charms and weaknesses which, until then, Bet had neither missed nor desired.

She was not given to complaining; she was something of a pioneer, and proud of the good strength and strong body which had fitted her for the self-imposed task of keeping house for the three bachelor brothers, who had pitched their tents in that promised land of beauty, the state of Texas. She had crossed the mountains of Alabama and the prairies of the West to come to them, and had been happy in their growing prosperity, and satisfied with their love and approval.

Moreover, life on the plains wasn't all work and hardship. Over in the county seat things were growing "city-like," and the village of Waco had two-story houses, with lace curtains at more than one window. There was silk in the stores, and the sheerest of lawns. And instead of old-time corn shuckings there were singing schools at the meeting house on the Brazos; and there were debates and rabbit hunts and quiltings and candy pullings, to all of which Bet had been cordially invited, had cordially accepted, and very cordially enjoyed.

Since little Bess had come to them Bet had gone out less frequently, to be sure; for Bess was delicate and too young for the wild rides that were no more than a tonic for Bet. Sometimes when the nights were moonlight and the days long

the big girl had ridden to Waco with the little girl perched up behind her on her horse, a basket of eggs and a bucket of butter suspended from her saddle, had bartered her produce for dry-goods, and ridden home beside her big brother at midnight, with Bess asleep in her arms, and had been all ready for her usual work next day. But lately she had felt her bigness to be unfeminine, though this was the first time her discontent had found words.

But the moment she had spoken she

brother's big, broad shoe, in which it was cased—as her feet often were when there was extra tramping to do—poor Bet did show a foot which she declared "was enough to shame a Comanche."

"Never mind," said the visitor; "never mind the bigness of the body, so the heart's big, too. Come on out to the wagon and get your goods. I must be moving. Thar's a passel o' them San Saba Injuns in town today; been over in Cherokee hunting. They was filling themselves up on whisky toler'ble pert, seemed

to me, and I ain't caring to travel the road twixt here and my place in thar company. Whar's the boys?"

"They went over to Lime-stone bright and early to help the Simpson boys rope some cattle. There's to be a beef slaughtered after the roping, and Joe allowed they'd be late getting home. It seems sort o' lonesome without 'em, so me and Bess have been laying off to finish up the work and run off for a little pleasuring in the woods down by the river. It ain't far, and somehow it does me good to go to the river and to see the trees. It makes me think of home to hear the Brazos go whispering through the low grounds."

"Humph! makes me think o' snakes," declared the visitor, as she climbed into her wagon and began passing out the parcels designed for Bet. This accomplished she took up the reins. "Well, I've got to be moving; stopped to deliver at four places 'fore I got here. You know how 'tis when a body goes to town in the wagon. Now, don't you gals wander too far off, nor git so lost in water gazing as to forgit to keep an eye on the road. Them Injuns over on San Saba ain't guilty o' no greater sin than laziness and filth when they're sober; but drunk they ain't much short o' fiends and wild animals. S'long; take keer o' yourse'ves, and if they bother you whip out the shotgun and skeer 'em some."

Bet, watching the white-topped wagon pass on over the prairie, felt strangely alone and helpless. She was not afraid of the Indians on the Brazos; they were peaceable and harmless; but the tribes farther west, in the San Saba country, had not felt the softening influences of civilization to the extent of those living farther east.

The Indian village lay beyond the town some thirty miles, yet they had often passed that way seeking lost cattle or bound for a buffalo hunt with the tribes on the San Saba River. She had seen them often, too, in the streets of the town of Waco, in their paint and feathers, but always peaceable and friendly and safe enough under the strong, restraining



"The big-footed girl dropped upon the sun-lighted doorstep to laugh."

felt better; perhaps because good Mrs. Seers made light of the complaint, and was making light of it, for before Bet could speak again for laughing she went on:

"And as for 'ugly' Bettie Bowser, that you ain't. I heard some o' the boys talking about the candy pull, and they allowed you was plumb pretty. And my boy, Tim, allowed he hedn't set eyes on nobody as handy as you be, not since he left Tennessee; so there you are."

The big-footed girl dropped upon the sunlighted doorstep to laugh.

"You are sure he didn't say 'footiest' instead of 'handiest?'" said she. "Look at that!" and Bet thrust forward a foot that was large and strong and able-looking, to be sure, even when shod in its own proper footwear. But with her

hand of the government. Now and then a straggler something the worse for whiskey had stopped at the door to call "How?" from his wiry little mustang, and to relieve his emotions in a resounding yell. But it chanced the boys had been home on those occasions and knew how to deal with the noisy intruders.

She shouldn't like them to find her there alone with only little Bess, the child whose parents had died while crossing the prairie, and whom the boys had brought home with them until some one should claim her. There were others of the party who told them the child's story: Her father was driving for one of the emigrants, who volunteered to carry the family west if the father would take charge of the team. But the man had died sitting bolt upright with the lines in his hand. The journey west had come too late for him. The mother, the child in her arms, had taken the lines the father had laid down; but three days later had, in her turn, laid them by and gone with the silent messenger. "Died for no reason in the world," the hardier emigrants told the young men, who had come upon them digging a grave.

But when big, strong Bettie took the little girl in her arms, saw the pale, patrician face with the blue veins in the fair temples, she understood that the young parents, well-bred and of the gentler class, had found the prospect too hard for them, and had died of sheer despair. The child had been quiet, gentle, even helpful; the little feet had been willing enough, but to big Bettie they were mere "toys"—"doll's feet"—good only to be held in the hollow of her hand and laughed at.

Yet the shape and trimness of the little feet pleased her, and set her at war, too, with her own awkward "clodhoppers," and as the child grew older and the little feet trimmer the big girl grew more and more to hate her own broad, flat members that grew broader and flatter in the rough boys' shoes that Bet would wear in spite of their efforts.

Today her discontent had found words; she was ashamed of it, and she felt like getting away from herself and her small rebellions. She felt a twinge of homesickness, too, and wanted to get near to something that was like the land she had left—the river, the broad, red Brazos, and the live oaks that rustled their green boughs the warm years through.

"Bess!" The child looked up from the doll she was dressing. "Get the boys' sombreros down from the nails and we'll take our little run to the river, anyhow, Injun or no Injun."

The child sprang to obey; she was as fond of the river and the oaks as Bet herself.

The big girl looked back under her tall sombrero as they were crossing the yard; the little house had an appealing look.

"I don't know what makes me uneasy," said Bet, "but somehow it doesn't seem quite safe to leave it."

"I reckon it was talking about Indians scared you," suggested Bess. "It made me all creepy, too."

"Yes, I reckon that was it," said Bet. "I'm not to say afraid of 'em, but I wish the boys were home. Now, then, clip it across this cotton field—look out for the young plants—then the pasture, and lo! we'll reach the river." They crossed the long, greening field and reached the meadow and the dividing fence.

"Wait," said Bet; "let me over first and I'll help you. My! these rails fairly quiver under that foot! Hush! I heard horses—and a—yell. Is that dust? Back."

She stood on top of the fence and shaded her eyes. Down the road beyond the stream she could see through the trees a cloud of yellow dust. The cloud parted for an instant, and Bet saw, galloping straight down the road that passed them, not a hundred yards from the meadow fence, half a dozen painted, feather-decked figures yelling and lashing their ponies furiously as they made straight for the little house on the prairie.

They had not seen the girls, and with a silent prayer that they might not see them, Bet dropped from the fence, and whispered:

"Run—fly home! The Indians are coming! Drunk! They'll kill us here, sure!"

The little girl sped like a rabbit straight down the cotton row, with Bet close behind her. And behind them both galloped the savages, their drunken yells growing more and more distinct as they drove their ponies down to the water.

There they halted for their horses to drink, and with the screening oaks between them and their danger the girls made a bold dash across the field for the house. Once there—well, there was a rifle in case the savages decided to stop.

"If we live to get to it!" Bet told herself as she panted after the little flying figure of Bess.

Suddenly the little figure swung to one side, reeled, and dropped, with a low cry of pain, among the cotton plants.

"My foot," she sobbed. "It—"

There was no time for more. Bet reached down almost without stopping, and lifting the child in her arms ran on.

As the Indians rode up from the water and into view Bet closed the door and bolted it behind her. They came straight on with a yell. Two minutes would give them ample time to break in the door.

The girl thought quickly and acted promptly. The little house had but two rooms and a shed kitchen. The boys were building as they had time and money for it. In the absence of closets and store room Bet utilized the loft above her own room for storing herbs and dry vegetables. The room was unsealed overhead, and the loft consequently without flooring of any description. The boys had tacked on the laths, however, expecting to plaster before cold weather; and above these, for the space of some six feet square, Bet had laid a bit of amateur flooring by nailing some rough boards across the rafters. This she called her "store room;" to it she ascended by means of a short ladder placed against an opening cut through the laths, where, by and by, she meant to have a stairway down, as occasion required.

Bet knew that finding the brothers absent the Indians would promptly proceed to ransack the house. She trembled to think what further mischief they might do; but she knew they must not find her and Bess alone in the house.

She carried the child to the foot of the ladder and there sat her down. "Climb up," said she, "on your knees, and then crawl upon the boards, and be still as a

mouse, while I get the gun and drag the ladder up. Look out for the lath and try not to make a noise."

Dragging her throbbing foot, little Bess, frightened and obedient, climbed to the loft. It was but a moment until Bet's big, round, welcome face appeared at the top of the ladder, and close beside it the muzzle of a shotgun.

"I can't find powder or shot," she gasped. "The boys must a—took it to the roping for the beef shooting afterward. But it felt better to have a gun, even if it wasn't loaded. Keep it there while I drag up the ladder. The gun hasn't been used for a year."

She smiled contemptuously as she placed the gun on the boards beside the child. This rusty, unloaded old weapon was their sole chance for life should the drunken Indians care to attack them.

But she had no time for lamentations; the lower end of the ladder had scarcely disappeared through the opening when she heard the Indians grunting and knocking, demanding admittance.

With a startled, quickly suppressed sob the little girl half rose to her knees; but Bet's strong left hand held her down until she had herself under control, and lay quiet and noiseless beside her big defender and comrade, while the Indians, laughing, shouting and swearing, were battering down the door.

She did not stir when the door fell in with a crash and the painted savages burst pell-mell into the room. But she set her teeth in her under lip and held to Bet's hand with a grip that was almost unbearable. With her free hand Bet sat holding the gun, muzzle down, her finger lying lightly against the trigger. Through the cracks between the laths she could see all that passed below. She saw one of the Indians pass into the kitchen, and almost immediately a grunt of delight announced that he had found the ham she had that morning boiled for the Sunday dinner next day. She saw him come, bringing the large chunk of greasy meat, into her bedroom, where the gang proceeded to pack it, with all the flour and sugar and coffee they could find, into the meal sacks that hung upon the kitchen wall. They helped themselves to the butter that was to be sent into town on Monday and sold; and when they had taken all the provisions they could find, one of them seemed to be seized with a sudden recollection of something that had been familiar to him about the place.

He quickly communicated this to the others in low, broken English and Indian jargon. Bet could not catch what he said, but when the six of them began to rush about the house, looking behind beds and boxes, overturning chairs, smashing tables and dragging her clothes from their nails, it dawned upon her with sudden cold horror that the redskins were searching for her.

She saw one of them rush to the bed and with his long, bare arms turn the big, feather-stuffed ticking over and over; while another took her dress from the nail on the wall and began peering into it, as though she might be hidden there, while he kept demanding, "Gal! Gal! White gal!"

The "white girl" in the loft felt the blood tingle in her veins, and the finger on the old gun's trigger trembled. Oh, for one good charge! She heard the clock on the kitchen shelf clamor out the hour; she even counted the sharp, brazen strokes mechanically—"one, two, three,

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The flower I have the best success in growing is the large pansy. In summer I have a beautiful pansy bed, all shades and colors. Most of them are as big and round as a silver dollar. In summer my pansy stalks got all dry and stopped blooming, so I took the scissors and cut all the seed pods and withered leaves and flowers off, and in a short time they were in full bloom again. I did that every month, and now they are still blooming. Every year I plant them in a different bed, so they get the morning sun only. Those are the methods of mine. In spring I plant only the young stalks, so they bloom nicer in summer. In the winter I cover them with leaves; it makes the soil good, also.—Miss Kathryn Nye, Pennsylvania.

SPECIOSUM RUBRUM LILIES.

Several years ago I had a bushel of the compost put on the ground under a peach tree, that is such a straggling grower that it makes only partial shade. It laid there all summer, and was dug over occasionally and the weeds kept out. In October I spaded it deep and planted my lily bulbs perhaps three inches deep or a little more. They have grown and increased, until last summer there were thirty-six stalks of bloom, several of them five feet tall and seven lilies on a stalk. The care they have is to loosen the earth on the top of the ground occasionally without disturbing the bulbs, and giving them water when they are getting ready to bloom and while they are blooming, if the weather is dry.—Mrs. Anna B., Ohio.

GERANIUMS.

Geraniums do well for me, seedlings and cuttings as well as the larger plants. The seeds are planted in fine sifted soil in shallow pans, watered carefully and watched closely, and lifted as soon as possible to half egg-shells, with holes in the bottom. The shells are placed in fruit-jar lids to water. Always water from the bottom, as the tiny plants are apt to damp off if the top gets wet. As soon as new leaves appear transplant to thumb pots. I always fill my cans, or pots if I have them, for my slips or cuttings, with leaf mold from the grove. Remove the leaves and sticks and top soil and you will find a fine, porous soil. After the cans are filled make a hole in the center and put in water until the soil is quite damp; put in the cutting, press the soil quite firm, but don't pack, set in a dark place or wrap with paper, or if you prefer, cover with a glass so you can see how the plant is getting along. Water only when the soil is dry and the can feels light. When new leaves appear you may be sure the slip is rooted and may be treated as other plants.

I consider an old plant worth a dozen cuttings. Be sure the plant has good drainage and water only when the pot feels light. Remove all dead leaves, faded flowers and broken stems, and don't forget to give slips to the children or flowers to your friends or to the sick, and your geraniums will be a joy—while memory lasts, if not forever.—Mrs. W. J. Fleming, Iowa.

Floral Problems

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Plants for the Cemetery—Mrs. Geo. A. Pettit, South Dakota—The old-fashioned Madonna lily, which throws up a tall stem bearing five or more pure white, deliciously scented flowers, is excellent for cemetery planting. It is entirely hardy, and will thrive and bloom for years with little care each year. The lily of the valley as a dwarf plant, peonies for massive blooms, white phlox, white or various colored iris, hydrangeas, snowballs, etc., make up a good list for making a selection. A plant particularly suited for the cemetery is the yucca. It is fleshy-rooted and keeps green all winter. In summer it throws up large white drooping flowers and is very effective. None of the plants mentioned require any protection.

Plants Moulding—Mrs. J. P. Spittler, Nebraska—Lack of ventilation would be the writer's explanation for the constant moisture and mould which troubles your small glass house. The fact that you have it walled tightly and well sealed only helps to bring about this condition. You must give the house a light airing as often as possible and keep the temperature up. The house should have ventilation at the top as well as the bottom, but do not depend on ventilation at the bottom alone. This alone would cause all the trouble. If the house does not receive a fair amount of sun you must offset this with artificial heat; in other words, the heavy moisture and mould can only be eliminated by proper airing and a fairly warm temperature.

Weigelia Dying—F. E. Royce—If the weigelia is planted in the open, it would be difficult to give an explanation for its sudden disposition to drop its leaves and appear to be dying. It is possible there may be some root trouble, but this is unnatural with this plant. Your report would incline the writer to make inquiry as to whether or not the weigelia is planted near a gas main, as gas leaks will quickly bring about the results you describe. The writer assumes that you are making such allowances for the change of seasons, and especially for the condition of the weather, if it has been dry, and that you are not being deceived by a natural condition of the plant as it enters into its dormant state, and which the weigelia does early in September and October. Please advise further as to where it is planted and whether close to buildings, driveways, etc., and if its present condition indicates anything different from your first report.

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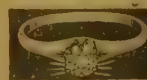
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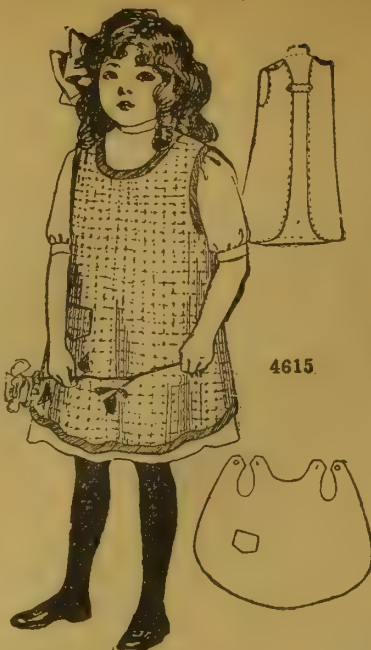
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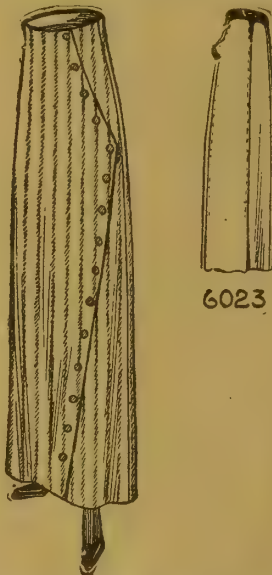
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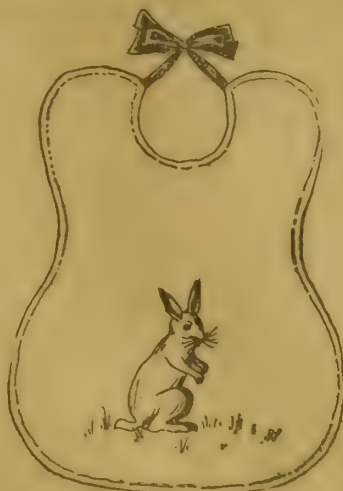
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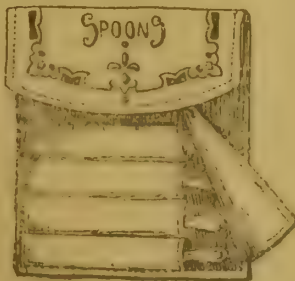
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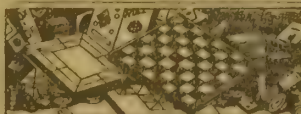
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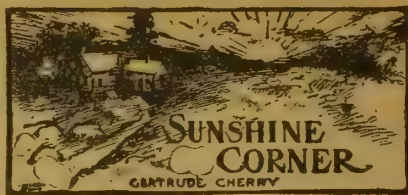
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Miss Dolly Rose, Manchester, Ohio, is still on our list. She has lain for over twenty-two years flat on her back in a wheel-chair, unable to turn on either side. She tries to do a little fancy work to help buy things for the house. A widowed sister keeps house for her. We hope the Sunshiners will keep Miss Rose in mind and at least send her a dime once in a while. She is most deserving. Her hands are getting so crippled that she is not able to do the work she used to do.

Mr. L. B. Tinsley, 1645 Washington Avenue, Huntington, W. Va., asks to be remembered to the Sunshiners. Mr. Tinsley is paralyzed from the waist down. His friends and neighbors are so good to him and his family, but he dislikes to impose on so small a circle all the time. The little son, eleven years old, sells papers to help support his father and mother and himself. At one time Mr. Tinsley was a railroad man, and paralysis came as a result of an injury he received to his back. They are most worthy and appreciative.

A letter from the secretary of the Cripples Welfare Society, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City, asks us to help them in raising \$75.00 for an artificial leg for a poor, ambitious boy, age eleven, who lost his leg four years ago. Rightfully, for his physical and social benefit, he should have had an artificial leg four years ago, when first hurt; a longer delay, through lack of proper development of his injured leg, thus making his injury in later life far more pronounced, thereby hinders his life's career. The \$75.00 raised will cover cost of leg, including three readjustments. All contributions, ever so small, will be graciously received by the Cripples Welfare Society, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City, Geo. W. Ryder, Treasurer.

Mrs. T. C. White, of 1700 Beech Street, Pine Bluff, Ark., writes that little Wilbert Thomson, 1518 Walnut Street, Pine Bluff, Ark., is so grateful to the Sunshiners for the cheer sent to him. He says he tries to answer each one who sent address. Mrs. White and friends have bought an electric machine, which, through a friend, cost \$38.00. The mother of Wilbert can treat him and the other two little brothers at home. Then the ladies hope to buy a wheel-chair for Wilbert. Mrs. Thomson is a widow, and takes in plain sewing to support her little family, and by the time rent is paid, and the family is fed, she has nothing left. Any little mite sent to Mrs. White toward the chair or electric machine will be gratefully received.

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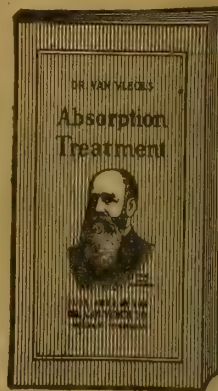
Mrs. B. A. Berry, 124 West Piedmont Street, Keyser, W. Va., wishes to thank the one who sent 12 cents in stamps, one who does not forget the poor shut-ins. Another from De Moines sent card and lovely handkerchief. If she knew the addresses, would write to them direct. She thanks every one who has sent her cheer.

Miss M. E. Rogers, of Sanford, N. C., expresses thanks to the one who sent her a little book, "Stray Thoughts," a letter from "Sunshine Julia," cards, etc. Her sister, Mrs. P. A. Crook, formerly of Sanford, N. C., is thankful for birthday greetings, but is very sick now with heart trouble, and the Sunshiners need not send cheer to her now.

We appreciate every order received from our readers for mends and wish we could thank each one, but that would mean many stamps, and much more time than we could spare. So many are wondering if the editor of this department is better, and we thank you for the interest, and wish we could write to each shut-in and Sunshiner; but while we are better than last year, yet we are suffering from a nervous strain

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A SURPRISE PARTY.

One of our Sunshine readers of New York state suggests that our readers join in filling a Surprise Wonder Bag for Mrs. Gertrude Cherry, the editor of this department, whose birthday occurs November 10th. The suggestion is offered without Mrs. Cherry's knowledge, but is approved by the editor of The Household Journal. Our New York friend suggests that small gifts be done up in white paper, tied with yellow ribbon, and mailed direct to Mrs. Gertrude Cherry, Xenia, Ohio. And Mrs. Cherry is requested to hold the packages in a bag, to be opened on her birthday.—Managing Editor.

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Aunt Jane's Page

OLD OCTOBER.

Old October's purt-nigh gone,
An' the frosts is comin' on
Little heavier ev'ry day,
Like our hearts is that-away..
Leaves a-changin' overhead,
Back from green to gray an' red,
Brown an' yellor, with their stems
Loosenin' on the oaks an' e'ms,
An' the balance o' the trees
Gittin' balder every breeze
Like the heads we're scratchin' on—
Old October's purt-nigh gone.

I love old October so,
I can't bear to see her go,
Seems to me like losin' some
Old home relative or chum;
'Pears like sort a-settin' by
'At sigh by sigh
Was a-passin' out of sight
Into everlastin' night.
Hickernuts a feller hears
Rattlin' down is more like tears
Droppin' on the leaves below—
I love old October so.

Can't tell what it is about
Old October knocks me out:
I sleep well enough at night,
And the blandest appetite
Ever mortal man possessed—
Last thing et, it tastes the best—
Warnuts, butternuts, pawpaws
Iles an' limbers up my jaws
Fer raal service sick as new
Pork, spare ribs and sausage, too,
Yit fer all they's somepin' bout
Old October knocks me out.

—James Whitcomb Riley.

Bag for sewing machine

A scrap bag to hang at the side of the sewing machine is a great convenience. Take a pretty piece of cretonne a yard long and twelve inches wide, sew up like a bag and make a casing over a small wooden embroidery ring for the top. Sew on braid for hanging up, with bows on sides where the braid is fastened to the ring.

A way to save gas

One hot day I was going to iron and boil my dinner on a two-burner gas plate when I found one burner was clogged. The idea struck me to set my stewer on top of the two flat-irons and let it boil. So the one burner boiled my dinner and kept the irons hot. The stewer held the heat that before was escaping between the irons.

In case of fire

Housekeepers who use oil lamps, alcohol stoves or chafing dishes should always keep a sand box handy. Never throw water on burning oil or alcohol, as it only serves to spread the flames. Throw a handful of sand where the flame is the thickest, and in nine cases out of ten it will suffice to extinguish the blaze. In the tenth case throw on two handfuls.

Buttons for underclothing

The button question is a problem for a busy mother. Here is one way of solving it. Buy the buttons known as tape buttons. These are buttons with holes large enough for a small tape to be run through. Put the tape through and sew to the garment by stitching on the machine. They are more quickly sewed on, do not come off nearly as quickly, and when they do, do not leave an unsightly hole as is so often the case when other buttons pull out.

Don't boil prunes

To preserve their rich, fruity flavor, do not boil prunes. Soak them over night in cold water to cover them, then take them out and boil the water in which they were soaked for fifteen minutes, add-

ing sugar. Put in the prunes and let them merely simmer for half an hour. Some cooks simply pour boiling water over them and let them stand on the back of the stove a few hours. A new flavor can be given by adding a few slices of lemon. Another method is to cook them with a bag of spices.

To candy oranges

Take a dozen firm oranges. Peel the outside of the skin off as thin as possible. Mark off in quarters and cut out every other one. Pass the knife around the inside and remove the pulp. With a spoon scoop out the lower part or bowl which is left, drop in water and boil gently long enough to soften the peel, then boil in thick syrup until clear, and let them remain in the syrup over night. Then take up, drain, and let dry. Sprinkle well with granulated sugar and fill with orange jelly. Set each one by itself on a large, flat dish and pour over the syrup.

Try this

Here is an original recipe that I find quite a success. Two cupfuls of meat, two large onions, four eggs, one tablespoonful of lard or butter. You may use any leftover meat; often I use two kinds. Grind the meat and onions in a sausage grinder. Break the eggs into a bowl, season with salt and pepper. Add the meat and mix well. Have the frying pan hot, put into it the lard and add immediately the meat and eggs, keeping stirring around and around for three or four minutes, judging by the consistency of the eggs. Take off and put into a hot dish, and serve immediately.

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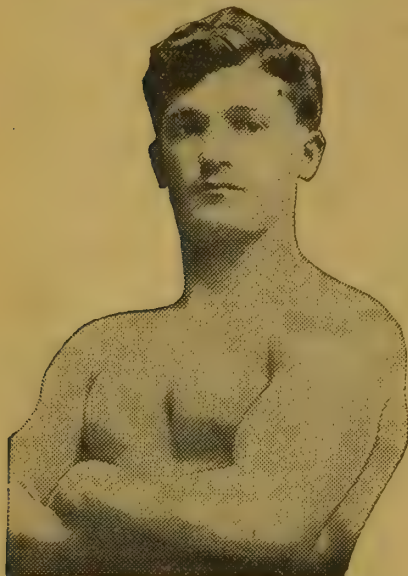
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The Big-Footed Girl of the Brazos

(Continued from page 5)

four, five!" Oh, if the boys would come—come before these drunken savages should find her hiding place! They were in the cellar now, still demanding the "white gal." Now they were standing together in a huddle in the center of the room trying to decide where to search next.

The girl in the loft could feel her heart throbbing while the ugly heads below her bobbed and bent together in wicked plotting against her.

Suddenly the child lying at her side gave one short, sharp, quickly stifled sob, and instantly every red face was turned upward to the loft.

Herself too startled to be cautious, Bet sprang to her feet; the strong finger on the trigger closed like a vise, and with sudden, unexpected indignation the old forgotten muzzle-loader discharged itself with a roar into the very midst of the jubilant, grinning faces below.

There was a yell and a great rattle of smashing, cracking timber as Bet floundered into the laths; and to crown the confusion her brother's big, broad, cowhide shoe went ripping through and dangled threateningly above the heads of the surprised Indians, while a familiar, well-worn sombrero dropped through the opening the foot had made. Thinking the owner of the shoe and hat would drop upon them in another instant the savages broke for their ponies, and with a wild, drunken yell were gone like the wind across the prairie. They did not stop for their plunder, but rode as though half an army might be upon their track.

And Bet, before she even went down to inspect the damages, sat back upon her board perch and laughed until the tears choked her. Bess, thinking she was overcome with the fright, began to sob.

"Oh, Bet," said she, "I didn't go to do it. My foot hurt me, and I tried not to feel it, but the pain would come."

Bet leaned over and kissed the little wet face. "You saved us," said she; "that little sob saved us. There is blood on the floor, so one of them was stung, at any rate. That means they'll not come back. From the gait they were going they'll be on the San Saba before many hours. You just lie still one moment, now, till Bet can slip the ladder down, then she's going to doctor the poor little foot. It's sprained, that's what it is. I'll sponge it and bind it up good and tight. I feel like I ought to do something for this old clodhopper, too—give it a banquet or something. Anyhow, I won't abuse it any more—never. Suppose, now, it had been your foot that went through that ceiling, or any other girl's foot except big-footed Bet's, we'd been dead by this time. But, you see, it never entered the Indians' heads that it was a woman's foot coming upon them. My! my! Won't the boys guy me! That foot'll be notorious in the Brazos country. They'll be saying 'Bet Bowser's big foot put a whole gang o' savages to rout.' Or else, 'Bet Bowser set her foot down on a whole tribe o' Indians and squelched 'em.' Shouldn't wonder if they come miles to take the dimensions of it, and to see the old gun that went off when it wasn't loaded, like old guns always do."

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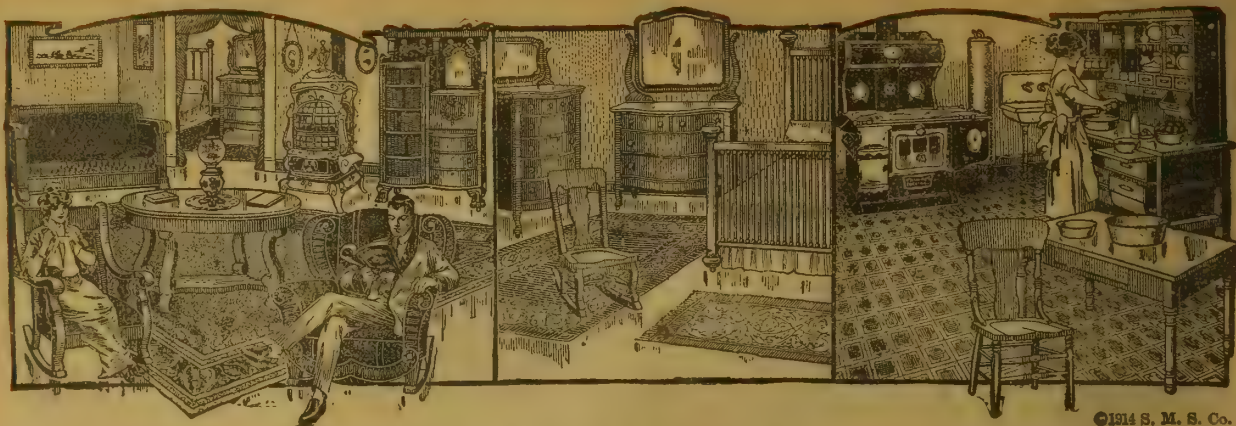
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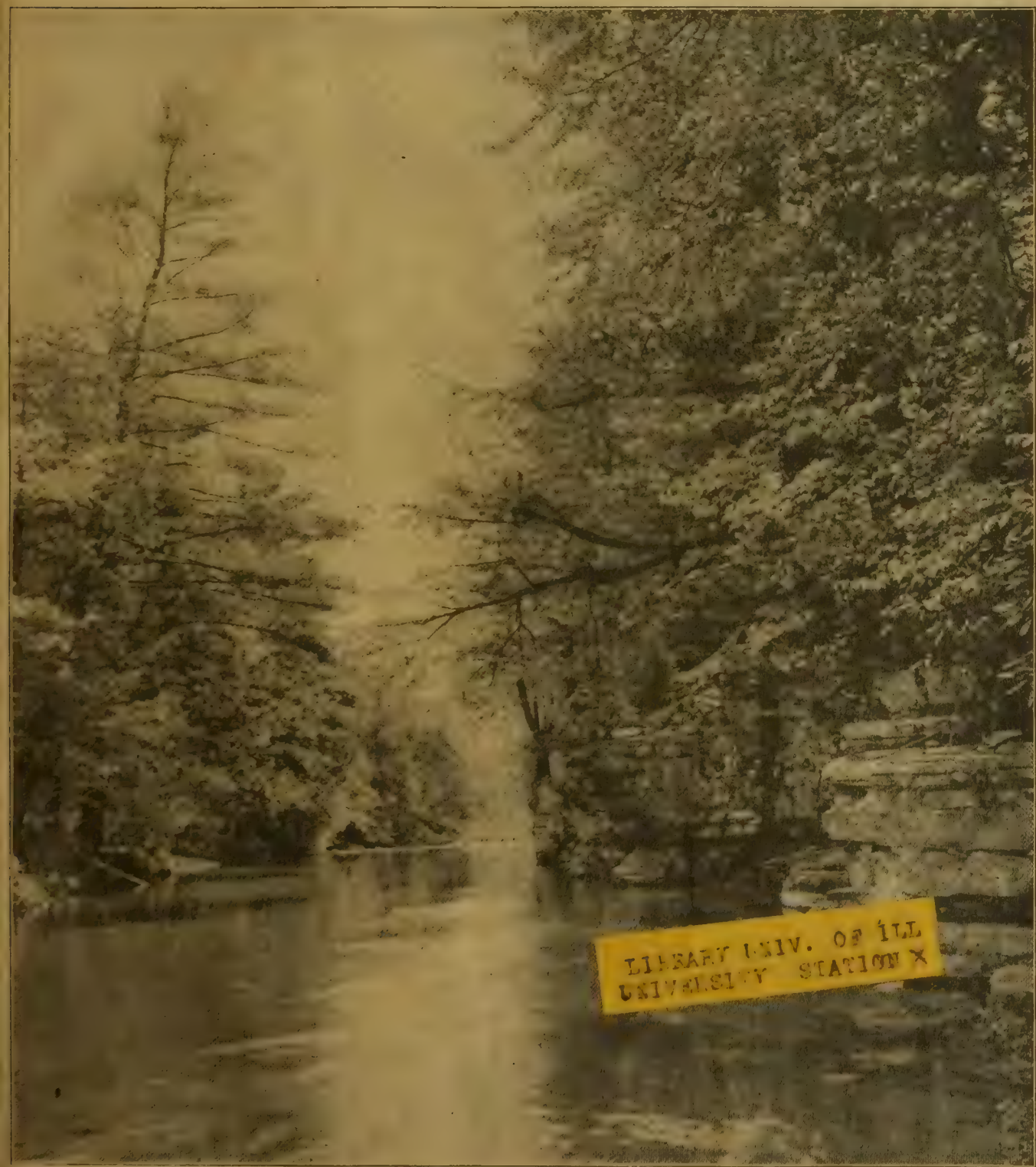
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Talks with Our Readers

Bleeding Belgium

Frightful war has been thrust upon the peaceful Belgians through no fault or act of their own. Thousands of their homes have been destroyed, the families scattered, while many thousands of men, women and children have been killed. Untold suffering is also following the warring hosts in other lands, and the great war has given civilization an unexpected jolt that will be felt by all the world for many years. We of America scarcely realize or appreciate our fortunate situation, by which we are enabled to escape the horrors now afflicting the European peoples.

"As the Twig is Bent, the Tree's Inclined"

My young friend, you are going to do, in your old age, just about as you are doing now. If you are sitting around finding fault with others; if you are sad and grumpy through jealousy or envy; if you are niggardly and stingy—you will occupy the same unhappy station when the twilight of age falls about you. This business of "going to do things" in your old age is all tommyrot. You think you can grub and starve yourself now, and enjoy an easy, generous old age? You can't do anything of the kind. You think that after you have made your fortune by grabbing everything in sight, that you can lead a decent life in your declining years. But you can't! You imagine that you can "settle down" after while and devote yourself to more serious things. You are mistaken. You are getting out of life just what you will continue to get out of it—and that is exactly what you put into it.

Is It a War of Prophecy?

There are many persons who believe that the present great war of many nations is in line with Biblical prophecy; that the Heavenly Father is as closely in touch with his people on earth as in the early Biblical days, and that his close identity with earthly events is as certain as in the days of the prophets; that the end of the "Gentile times" is about due, to be accompanied with startling changes. While there may be difference of opinion as to the time of fulfillment, all Biblical students know that the prophecies for the latter days are still unfulfilled; and the faith that is in believers makes them feel sure that the events foretold by the Lord's prophets are as certain as the foundations of the universe. "All the world appears to be in a pose of 'watchful waiting'."

Healthfulness in the House

The first consideration of the home should be in reference to its healthfulness. It is only by a due attention to particulars that the household is maintained at its best, and this includes not only the indoor arrangements, but the immediate outdoor surroundings. That "order is Heaven's first law" has passed into a proverb, and order embraces fitness; arrangements, simplicity and, above all, neatness. It should begin with the cellar and end nowhere. Too often is it the case that certain unfrequented rooms, especially those below grounds and under roof, are quite overlooked on the occasion of periodical housecleanings, and yet the air of the living rooms is made foul by emanations of decayed vegetables from below, and the accumulated dust of the lumber garret is a standing invitation to the pestiferous microbe.

The Art of Crying

Very few women know how to cry properly, but if they realized how potent tears are as a weapon they would spare no pains in learning to shed them gracefully. As a rule, brunettes cry much better than blondes. For instance, a very pretty little lady who was a litigant in court some years ago, and who wept when a certain portion of the testimony was reached. As the critical moment approached her eyes began to swim. They seemed to grow larger and darker, and they took on a wistful and appealing look that made every man in the jury box feel as if he wanted to climb right out and hit the plaintiff with a club. Her lips were quivering, and presently two great tears rolled softly down her cheeks. That settled it. The jury was exactly a minute and a half in giving her a verdict. Now, if that had happened to some other woman, equally worthy, but of a lighter complexion, the chances are her nose would have turned pink and her eyes would have assumed a slightly inflamed appearance that would have been very damaging to her cause. If she had sniffed, as they usually do, the result might have been different. A woman who can cry artistically can have anything she wants.

The Romance of Betty

By NINA K. SLATER

THE slumbrous sunshine lay in full, rich glory upon the quiet village of Eastman, enfolding the Hancy Farm, which marked its eastern limit. The rush of the passing river was subdued to a murmur, the birds had hushed their songs, the air was soft, and the distant measured stroke from the village smithy mingled harmoniously with the dreamy hum into which Nature had symbolized all sounds. Betty sat alone under the great maples, lost in thoughts and dreams. She heard again the words to which she had listened the evening before in the moonlight: "Darling, I will come for your answer tomorrow night."

Even in the early days of its master the Hancy Farm had been a snug possession, but under John Hancy's skilful management it had increased in acres until its boundaries spread miles to the north, south to the river and a goodly distance east and west. John had been a comely, well-educated, popular young man, who in time married the village teacher, bought a quarter section of land from the government, and had early tasted the intoxicating wine of prosperity. Esther being of a strictly economical turn of mind, John had, to the surprise of his old friends, rapidly developed into "the village miser." In his later life no coat was too ragged, no accommodations too poor, no fare too meager for his satisfaction. Occasional delicacies—doughnuts, cookies or tea cakes—were divided into halves for his hirelings. The few cakes of maple sugar left over from a season dripped and soured instead of being sent to a less fortunate neighbor. An application for aid in charity sent an unfeigned shiver through the weazened figure and a tremble of vague apprehension into the thin voice.

His daughter Betty had not been exempt from the grind of home life. Her privileges were few, and those few chosen for their inexpensiveness. School had been denied her because she might meet with some accident on the road, and the old school books in the attic could no longer be used. Only one summer's visit with cousins had broken the long monotony of her life.

It was of all this that Betty was thinking as she sat beneath the home maples with crisp locks of gray hair blowing softly across her face and a gentle, far-away expression in her blue eyes. She viewed the past as a panorama—her restricted girlhood, without school days, with but one party, few books, little girlish finery, no girl friends, and but one lover. She saw Jack's tall form again, stole away to walk with him under the shadowy beeches, heard his first words of

love, and went again through the scenes of her thwarted elopement. Betty now, gray-haired and fifty, knew that Jack's professed love had been financial diplomacy, but, after all, love had not lost its charm nor moonlights their glamorous sheen.

She saw once more the plain casket that hid her mother's form carried from the door of the low-roofed, rambling farm house. She knelt again by her father's dying bed, and heard him weakly say, "Betty, you'll be rich. Don't spend it, Betty, don't spend it. I've saved it all for you."

light was gone, and the low, insistent voice sounding through her memory had a false ring. The shrewd brain that had so skilfully accumulated thousands had bequeathed to Betty some of its keenness, and she remembered and understood much that she had been fain to believe. She knew then that the past was not only missing, but irretrievably lost.

"Ben is younger than I," she reflected. "He will not take me to socials or parties, or even to church, when I ask him. He doesn't mean it when he says, 'Darling, I want you all to myself.' He is ashamed of me! oh, ashamed of me!—and true love knows no shame. It is my money that he wants—the money father saved to make me happy. Oh, the curse it has been!"

That night Ben received his refusal—not tearfully, but with a kind of regret. That night, standing before her mirror, Betty shook out the long strand of gray hair to the light, looked long at the sad face; then she blew out the light, and with a few tears and a choked sob softly prayed that God would change the heart that longed for the things of youth to a heart that ought to belong with colorless cheeks and whitening hair.

Summer came again, and the fields were yellow with harvest. The whirl of the reaper broke the stillness of the days, and the management of a well-ordered household helped to quiet the heart that Betty had prayerfully struggled to discipline. It was after one of these busy, hard harvest days that John, her competent manager, said, earnestly, "Betty, you need somebody to look after this big farm and you. You're working too hard lately, and what with no girl in the kitchen, and you trapezing around after the turkeys and ducks, I've been considerably worried about you. Betty, don't you think you and I had better get married? I'll be good to you."

It was a very prosaic wooing. No word of love—it was all so unlike anything Betty had read or dreamed. But John was broad-shouldered and honest, and Betty recognized the truth of his statements, and the sincerity of his one declaration, so when he gently added, "Can't you, Betty?" she answered, calmly, "Yes, John, I will marry you."

Prosperity still reigns at Hancy Farm. The low-roofed white farm house nestles among the ancient maples, the whirl of labor breaks the quiet of the summer days, and song, laughter and merry, friendly voices the white silence of winter. John still looks after Betty and the farm. The fair face of the woman has lost its sadness, and rounded into a se-



"Betty, don't you think you and I had better get married?"

"Oh, father," she answered, wearily, "if you had saved less for me, and given me one little bit of girlhood!"

"But, Betty! Betty! you'll have thousands of dollars—thousands, I say!"

"Yes, father," she replied. "I'll try to make it pay for happy school days and all the other pleasures that most girls have and I have missed."

"No," she thought, "it can never pay for all the longings, all the deprivations, all the humiliations I have known. That one summer's visit taught me how empty my life was, and all this wealth cannot buy me a girlhood."

Last night she had thought love might supply the missing link, and give to her life the something she had missed; but now the mystery and charm of the moon-

THE RED SQUIRREL.

rene, mellowed autumnal beauty. John still wades through morning dew and evening rain to look after the turkeys. There are occasional summer trips to the coast and long winters in the South. If Betty ever wonders whether life has compensated for the years of humiliation and lost youth; if she ever reaches out for the old ideals, or her soul ever grows heavy with longing, it is in the silence of her heart and the lonely watches of the night.

If the red squirrels do not have an actual game of tag, they have something so near it that I cannot tell the difference. Just now I see one in hot pursuit of another on the stone wall; both are apparently going at the top of their speed. They make a red streak over the dark gray stones. When the pursuer seems to overtake the pursued and becomes "It," the race is reversed, and away they go on the back track with the same fleetness of

the hunter and hunted, till things are reversed again. I have seen them engaged in the same game in tree tops, each one having his innings by turn.

The gray squirrel comes and goes, but the red squirrel we have always with us. He will live where the gray will starve. He is a true American; he has nearly all the national traits—nervous energy, quickness, resourcefulness, pertness, not to say impudence and conceit. He is not altogether lovely or blameless.

HOW THE ANGELS LOOK

Baby, holding his mother's hand,
Says "Good-night" to the big folks all.
Throws some kisses from rosy lips,
Laughs with glee through the lighted hall.
Then in his own crib, warm and deep,
Baby is tucked for a long night's sleep.

Gentle mother, with fond caress,
Slips her hand through his soft, brown hair!
Thinks of his fortune, all unknown,
Speaks aloud in an earnest prayer:
"Holy angels, keep watch and ward,
God's good angels, my baby guard!"



"Mother, what is an angel like?"
Asked the boy in a wondering tone;
"How will they look if they come here,
Watching me while I'm all alone?"
Half with shrinking and fear spoke he;
Answered the mother, tenderly:

"Prettiest faces ever were known,
Kindest voices and sweetest eyes."
Baby, waiting for nothing more,
Cried, with a look of pleased surprise,
Love and trust in his eyes of blue,
"I know, mother; they're just like you!"

One Thanksgiving Day

By Mrs. M. A. NAITLAND

"Not goin' to meetin'?" Dave Webster, I'm ashamed of you! And you haven't heard me say as much all the twenty years we've lived together.

"There's Joe Humphrey and his wife and 'Sis' and little Dan jest gone down the road now; and here's Ted at the door with the wagon this very minute."

"Let Humphrey go where he has a mind to; he has more to be thankful for than I have. There's the third hog gone this mornin' in my pen, and every one of his is fat and thrivin'; and pork will be pork this winter, I tell you.

"Then the fall wheat was not worth cuttin', as you know. Humphrey had some sown, so he lost nothin' on that. The taters were a failure, too, this year, mostly, bushels and bushels of them gone to rot. Joe happened to plant his over on the hill and so they're mostly good."

"I know it's a poor year for makin' money, Dave; but we'll have enough for ourselves, and something to spare, too. And I'm not so sure that Humphrey is so much ahead of us after all. Wasn't he down all spring with rheumatism fever, and had to hire his seedin' done? And didn't you say yourself, many weeks ago, that the doctor had been makin' good time this year there, and doctors don't visit sick folks for nothin', I assure you. Poor little Sophy that you helped to carry to her long home, and that was the same age as your own Katy here—I'm sure Joe would rather have lost all his crops than parted with her. Then, worse than all, isn't his heart broke and his wife's, too, with a bad son? And our Ted never cost us a sleepless night since he cut his eye teeth. So, after all, we've more to be thankful for than our neighbor has, and we've a sight more than we deserve, too."

Ted had grown impatient waiting outside, while this dialogue was going on, and now stood with his whip in his hand

waiting orders to drive on to the church.

"Father's not going with us this mornin', Ted, so we'll just drive on without him. Come on, children, pile in, or we'll be late."

No sooner had the wagon with its not very light load disappeared than Dave Webster set about making his toilet. It was not a very elaborate one at any time, but had his wife been at home she would have thought that he lacked in style what he made up in speed, for this once at least. What was most wonderful of all, when he was ready to go, he lifted little Katy off the floor, where she sat sucking the head of her rubber doll, and kissed her twice, an unusual thing for him to do, for, though he was a kind father, he did not take much stock in kissing, he thought it womanish, and so was quite willing that the women folks should do all that needed to be done. It may be that the memory of baby Humphrey's little white coffin had something to do with the unusual gush of fervor.

Dave was a good walker, but the church was over a mile distant, and the minister was just giving out the text when he slipped quietly into a back seat—Psalm 116:12, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me?"

The sermon was an impressive one, and calculated to awaken serious thought in the minds of the Christian, man's unworthiness, God's beneficence, and the homage and gratitude due to the Creator by the creature, were all set forth with faithful delineation.

If Maria Webster was surprised at seeing her husband waiting outside the church after the service was over, she wisely refrained from showing it; and the dialogue of the morning was not once referred to on the way home.

What a great spread awaited the hungry family in the wide, warm kitchen, on

their return from the little country church. They sniffed ominously as they marched around and around the great table, applauding this and the other tempting dish, while Liza, the hired girl, kept warning them not to touch anything for their lives—until father came in. But father seemed a long time of coming in. Ted had put the horses in the stall and returned to the house, but father was still missing, so a search was made for him. Not in the barn, not in the stable, nowhere to be seen was the—at this particular time—much-wanted lord of the household.

"I saw him go into the house when we came from meetin'," said Dave, junior, so mother went upstairs to her own room, and there sure enough, seemingly oblivious to the good things awaiting him below, knelt Dave Webster by the bedside, his face buried in the log-cabin quilt.

"What's the matter, Dave?" said his wife. "We've been huntin' everywhere for you to come to dinner; the children are nearly wild waitin' so long."

"I can't go to dinner, Maria. I don't deserve no dinner nor nothin' else when I think what a miserable, thankless sinner I have been for all 'His benefits.' And not only that, but envyin' them that I thought better off, I can't eat a Thanksgivin' dinner without feelin' that it ought to choke me for the words that I said this mornin'."

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A Daughter Worth Having

By ELINOR WADSWORTH

Two gentlemen, friends who had been parted for years, met in a crowded city street. The one who lived in the city was on his way to meet a pressing business engagement. After a few expressions of delight, he said:

"Well, I'm off. I'm sorry, but it can't be helped. I will look for you tomorrow at dinner. Remember, two o'clock sharp. I want you to see my wife and child."

"Only one child?" asked the other.

"Only one," came the answer, tenderly; "a daughter. But she's a darling."

And then they parted; the stranger in the city getting into a street car bound for the park.

After a block or two, a group of five entered the car; they all evidently belonged to families of wealth; they conversed well. Each carried an elaborately decorated lunch basket; each was well dressed. They, too, were going to the park for a picnic. They seemed happy and amiable until the car again stopped, this time letting in a pale-faced girl of about eleven and a sick boy of four. These children were shabbily dressed, and on their faces were looks of distress. They, too, were on their way to the park. The gentleman thought so; so did the group of girls, for he heard one of them say, with a look of disdain:

"I suppose those ragamuffins are on an excursion, too."

"I shouldn't want to leave home if I had to look like that. Would you?" This to another girl.

"No, indeed! But there is no accounting for tastes. I think there ought to be a special line of cars for the lower classes."

All this was spoken in a low tone, but the gentleman heard it. Had the child, too? He glanced at the pale face and saw tears. He was angry.

Just then the exclamation, "Why, there is Nettie! Wonder where she is going?" caused him to look out upon the corner, where a sweet-faced young girl stood beckoning to the car driver. When she entered the car she was warmly greeted by the five, and they made room for her beside them. They were profuse in exclamations and questions.

"Where are you going?" asked one.

"Oh, what lovely flowers! Who are they for?" said another.

"I am on my way to Belle Clark's. She is sick, you know, and the flowers are for her."

She answered both questions at once, and then, glancing toward the door of the car, saw the pale girl looking wistfully at her. She smiled at the child, a tender look beaming from her beautiful eyes, and then, forgetting that she wore a handsome velvet skirt and costly jacket, and that her shapely hands were covered with well-fitted gloves, she left her seat and crossed over to the little ones. She laid one hand on the boy's thin cheeks as she asked of his sister:

"The little boy is sick, is he not? And he is your brother, I am sure."

It seemed hard for the girl to answer, but finally she said:

"Yes, miss; he is sick. Freddie never has been well. Yes, miss; he is my brother. We're going to the park to see if 'won't make Freddie better."

"I am glad you are going," the young girl replied, in a low voice meant for no one's ears except those of the child. "I think it will do him good; it is lovely there, with the spring flowers all in bloom. But where is your lunch? You ought to have a lunch after so long a ride."

Over the little girl's face came a flush. "Yes, miss; we ought to, for Freddie's sake; but, you see, we didn't have any lunch to bring. Tim—he's our brother—he saved these pennies so as Freddie could ride to the park and back. I guess, mebbe, Freddie'll forget about being hungry when he gets to the park."

There were tears in the lovely girl's eyes as she listened; and very soon she asked the girl where they lived, and wrote the address down in a tablet, which she took from a bag on her arm.

After riding a few blocks she left the car, but she had not left the little ones comfortless. Half the bouquet of violets and hyacinths was clasped in the sister's hand, while the sick boy, with radiant face, held in his hand a package, from which he helped himself now and then, saying to his sister, in a jubilant whisper: "She said we could eat 'em all, every one, when we get to the park. What made her so sweet and good to us?"

And the little girl whispered back:

"It's 'cause she's beautiful as well as her clothes."

The gentleman heard her whisper.

When the park was reached, the five girls hurried out. Then the gentleman lifted the little boy in his arms and carried him out of the car, across the road and into the green park, the sister, with a heart full of gratitude, following. He paid for a nice ride for them in the goat carriage; he treated them to oyster soup at the park restaurant.

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"Since it has been my lot to find

At every parting of the road,

The helping hand of comrade true,

To assist me with my heavy load;

And since I have no gold to give

And love alone must make amends,

My humble prayer is while I live,

Make me worthy of my friends."

—Edwin Noah Hardy.

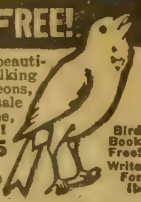
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**A Thanksgiving Story**

By HATTIE WHITNEY

Mollie Mintley had just dipped the last golden-brown cruller out of the kettle, and finished with its plump twist the pyramid of queer-shaped fried cakes piled in the tin colander, when the outside kitchen door was pushed in gently and a red hood bloomed into the room like a big scarlet poppy, with a tousled tangle of curls and two shy brown eyes under it.

"Aunt Rushy's got her rheumatiz-zum again bad," chirped the owner of the red hood, "an' everything's in a mess, an' she says won't you come over a few days an' straighten up, Miss Mollie."

Mollie's clearly marked dark eyebrows drew in a little toward her nose. She did not say anything until she had carried her kettle of fat into the pantry. When she came out again her forehead was smooth.

"All right, Patty," she said, "tell your aunt I'll be over in a little while. And help yourself to a couple of crullers, Patty, though I expect it'll make you sick to eat them boiling hot—if anything ever did hurt youngsters." She added the last to herself, as the red hood, tangled curls and fried cakes disappeared simultaneously. Then the frown showed signs of coming back to her forehead.

She set the crullers away in the pantry and went into the sitting room, where her mother sat beside the big fireplace, with its crackling black-jack logs, piecing a many-hued patchwork quilt of the "piny-bud" pattern.

"Miss Rushy Riddell's laid up again," Mollie announced, in a tone which savored a little of personal affront over Miss Rushy's inconsiderate conduct, "and I'll have to go over a day or two and look after 'em, or they'll all take fits, and those poor little snips of children won't get anything to eat but cold bread and apple sauce. I wish Rushy'd quit having rheumatism or that poke of a brother of hers would get married again."

Mrs. Mintley laughed a mellow, comfortable laugh. She was a little, round woman, with soft eyes and an easy gentleness of motion, not at all like Mollie. Mollie was tall, with dark, steady eyes, a clear skin and a chin like that of the goddess of liberty on the silver dollar, only Mollie's chin had a dimple in it.

"I haven't a grain of doubt Rushy'd keep well, just to oblige you, if she had her way," Mrs. Mintley said, snipping a bit of pink calico. "And as for Rick Riddell, he'd turn forty summersets hand running, he'd be so tickled, if you'd just—"

"But I don't think I will," interrupted Mollie, crisply. She was a little brusque in her ways, and was generally credited with having her fair share of temper; not that it ever exhibited itself in any more offensive manner than in considerable energy of action and briefness of speech.

She went to the wardrobe in a corner of the sitting room and pulled down a big cloak, shaking it out vigorously.

"I suppose you'll get along all right, mother," while I'm gone to keep the Riddells from falling to pieces?" she asked. "Land, I don't see why not?" her mother returned, placidly. "Ain't the mincemeat all chopped, every crock on the place full of seed cakes and cookies, be-

sides a fruit cake made, big enough for a church sewing society? You better ask that poor man and his folks to dinner on Thanksgiving."

"You know what that would mean," said Mollie, as she pulled on her mittens. "It wouldn't do. Now do take care of yourself, mother, and don't you scrub while I'm away; and tell father not to let the fires go out at night and freeze my chrysanthemums, and good-by; I'll probably be back Wednesday."

Little Mrs. Mintley sat gazing into the fire for a few minutes after Mollie had disappeared, musing.

"I do wish, Nancy," she said to the matronly old cat who was winking benevolently at the fire, "Mollie'd find out what a good man it is she's been snubbing for the last five years."

Miss Rushy Riddell was sitting dismally by a great, dull-heating stove, with a gray shawl around her and a brown veil tied over her head, when Mollie arrived. She was a thin woman, of good intentions, but apt to take melancholy views of things generally.

"Oh, dear me, Mollie, I'm most dead," she groaned, as Mollie came in, brisk and fresh from the shrill November air; "can't move hand or foot hardly, and nobody to call on but you. Rick's gone to town for groceries, the young ones haven't had a thing to eat but cold pancakes and molasses, the kitchen's in a clutter, and the fire all out—oh, dear!"

"Well, all that's easily mended," Mollie said, cheerfully, hanging up her cloak and coming to the stove.

"Tain't as easy as you think," Miss Rushy grumbled on. "And it's a never-ending job to get things straight and keep 'em straight, what with the young ones always a-coming out of their clothes and always hungry, and the everlasting dishes and beds and cats and dust and mending and bread making—it's too much for one woman. I'd most give my teeth if Rick'd get married again. But shucks! he won't, not unless you'd—"

"I'm going to fix you 'comfortable first of all, Miss Rushy," Mollie broke in, rattling the ashes out of the choked-up fire with some clatter. "Then I'll feed the babies and straighten up and have some supper in a little less than no time, so you needn't worry."

She hustled things about in the kitchen vigorously.

"I wish they'd all quit chanting the same old chorus." She sent a stream of hot water splashing into the big dish pan with an energy that caused it to spatter her neat brown apron. "I don't see why I should be obliged to marry a man because his sister gets laid up with rheumatism every so often. Rick Riddell is a slowpoke; I refused him once, and that ought to settle it. If he'd had any grit he'd have married some one else long ago—and I don't want a man without any grit, and I won't be badgered into having one."

How Mollie accomplished so much Miss Rushy didn't know, but when her brother reached home after his long, bleak ride he found a tidy house, cheerful fires, his sister almost too comfortable to grumble.

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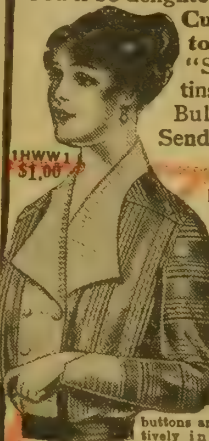
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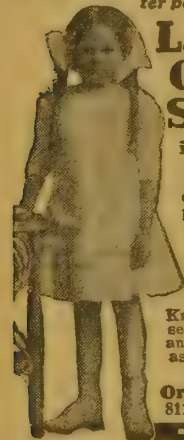
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HOW I RAISED TUBEROUS BEGONIAS.

Of all the flowers that I raised the past summer, I had best success with the tuberous begonia. I sent to The Household Journal for my tubers, receiving them some time in May. They looked dry and almost lifeless, so the first thing I did was to immerse them in lukewarm water, leaving them for an hour. I then put them in a shallow box filled with sand, watered well and set the box on a top shelf in my pantry, and waited for growth to begin. In about two weeks the leaves began to show. Now they were ready for their pots, which were wooden boxes ten inches square by eight inches deep, painted a light green. A hole was bored in the bottom of each box, also some very small holes in the sides to admit air to the roots. I now placed about two inches of broken bits of crockery and charcoal with a layer of moss for drainage. Now I filled my boxes with good woods earth mixed with about one-fourth well-rotted manure from the cow shed, with a little sand on top, placed a plant in the center of each box, watered well and set in a moderately warm place. And how they did grow! In about two weeks the leaves were as broad as my hand, and such a bright, glossy green; some had red veins on the under side of the leaves. One, a lovely pink, had flowers of two different shades—one, a very dark pink, almost red, and one a very light shell-pink, both beautifully frilled and ruffled. I also had dark red, the largest flowers I ever saw on a begonia, double as any rose. Also yellow, with both double and single flowers on the same stalk. Every one stopped to admire and inquire how I managed to raise such lovely begonias. Some had bought tubers at the same time I did and raised a few curled-up leaves with never a flower. I am planning to have more next summer, and I hope all who enjoy beautiful flowers will go and do likewise.—Mrs. William Smith, West Virginia.

MOST SUCCESS WITH CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

Chrysanthemums, I must say, are the flowers that I have the most success in growing. Preparation for planting them should be made in the fall, after they have ceased to bloom. I cover the ground on which I mean to grow them with leaves or leaf mold. About the latter part of February or the first of March I break the land, fertilizing richly with good stable manure. I take up my young sprouts, separating them, throwing the old stalks away, and selecting the young sprouts to reset. I set them in rows and beds, both to get a good effect. In rows I set them about three or four inches apart. I stir the soil about them constantly, keeping it moist all the while. About once a month I give them a thorough good working and manure heavily each time with stable manure. I water them freely once a day, for enough water is a necessity. To make a liquid fertilizer, which I apply once a week, I fill up a vessel with manure and pour boiling water over it, thus killing insects, and stir until the manure is dissolved to a liquid state. I watch my plants, and as soon as suckers appear on the stem I pull them off.

When they are tall enough I stake them with sticks of stove wood. All the buds are picked off except one if I wish the largest flowers.

I have raised some beautiful ones, with several limbs to a stalk, having one flower to each stem. This summer my plants were covered with plant lice, which I destroyed by pouring boiling water over and letting it stand several hours, then applying the water to the plants.—Lexye Bond, Georgia.

ASPARAGUS SPRENGERI.

I am a great lover of flowers, and have them everywhere in summer and a windowful in winter. I have good success with all, but one plant I have especially good luck with is the beautiful fluffy Asparagus Sprengeri. When I lived in the city I had many callers, who always remarked about it, and asked how I made it grow such long sprays and so many of them. Even a florist, a friend of ours, asked the same question. Now I find that it doesn't like to be moved much. I keep it pot-bound, and do not repot it only when in danger of bursting the pot. I have taken it out of the pot, when I could find no dirt, only roots bound in one mass around and over the stones I have in the bottom for drainage. It will take roots through the bottom of the pot. When ready to repot I give plenty of water. Once a week I give manure water, like strong tea. Once a week I put the pot in the sink, pile the foliage in also, and give it a shower with warm water and a whisk broom. In repotting I use only a little larger pot each time, cut off some of the oldest sprays, and it starts to grow almost at once. It is not particular about sunshine. I have grown it in a north window, and have measured sprays two and one-half yards long. Every one thinks it beautiful. I keep mine in the house the year round. It well repays one for the small amount of care given it. I think this may be of interest to many flower lovers.—Mrs. C. S. George, Connecticut.

PERENNIALS ARE FAVORITES.

Considering strength of plant and beauty of bloom, I am rather partial to perennials, especially the phlox and the late chrysanthemums, having had fine success with both for the past sixteen years. Both plants named are very hardy and do not require a great deal of care. In the fall I usually cover them with a light covering of straw or barn-yard manure, which has proven sufficient protection for them during the winter months. I have several varieties of phlox, the white being my favorite, one root not having been lifted from its position for twelve years. I simply clean the weeds and grass out in the spring and fall, and give them plenty of water during the dry season, and their lovely bloom and fragrance more than repay me for the care I give them.

I have also several varieties of chrysanthemums. I prize them for their late blooming. When summer is gone, when woods are bare, and birds are flown, we enjoy the beauty of their bright blossoms. I have one of these plants in the house that was potted in July purposely for a

window plant this fall, and it is certainly beautiful. It has been in bloom about six weeks. So I would recommend these perennials to those who wish success with flowers, as they are easily taken care of, and are among the choicest of flowering plants.—Mrs. J. R. Brown, Ohio.

BEAUTIFUL SWEET PEAS.

The flower I have had the best success in growing is the sweet pea. Trained on poultry wire of large mesh, six feet long and six feet high, they supplied mission children, settlement children, friends and neighbors and church all summer. They were in full bloom November 3rd, when two large bunches were cut for the church. That night the first snow came and killed them. The following method was used: As soon as the ground could be worked, a trench six feet long, eighteen inches deep and six inches wide was dug. A creek runs by the land, and as the tide rises from Long Island Sound, the creek overflows more or less the surrounding land. The trench was dug just on the edge of the meadow formed by the creek. Droppings from the chicken house mixed with soil was spread over the bottom of the trench and then covered with plain soil until the trench was fourteen inches deep. The seeds were carefully placed in the trench and covered three inches. When the tops appeared, soil was sifted over them every few days until the trench was six inches deep.

This was accomplished in New Haven, Conn., before I came here to live. I did the work myself. The same method can be used on any country place where there is a brook and on any place where water can be had. The rising of the tide in New Haven did away with the necessity of watering.—Ida M. Mathews, Connecticut.

EXPERIENCE WITH FALL ROSES.

I have had best success in growing fall roses. The seed was sown outdoors in good, rich soil as soon as danger from frost was over. When the plants were ready to transplant I prepared the ground as follows: First I put on a liberal supply of well-rotted stable manure, then I worked it in by working the soil about seven inches deep, being very careful to make the soil very fine all through and smooth on top. Then I made straight rows about six inches apart and set the plants about six inches apart in the rows, watering each plant and shading them until they were well started. I watered them each day when there was no rainfall and worked the soil well to keep it fine on top to hold moisture and keep it free from weeds. Some of the plants grew to be eighteen inches tall. They began to bloom in August and continued until frost killed them. The blooms were very large and the mixture of red, white and blue was a very beautiful sight to see.

This is actual experience, as I raised these flowers the past summer. They were greatly admired by my friends. I am a cripple and cannot do much work, so I raise some flowers each year, as I like to see them.—Mr. Albert Kidwell, Indiana.

ROSES ARE FAVORITES.

I have best success with roses, having grown a pink La France rose bloom seven inches across. The way I plant is to take rose slips with a heel, put two or three slips in one place, as they root much better that way, plant in good, rich soil mixed with dirt from the chip yard, firm the soil around them, water well, and turn a glass can or bottle over them. I

plant in the dark moon in October, and mulch with litter from the barn before heavy freezing sets in.

When the weather gets warm in the spring I remove part of the mulch and work the rest in the soil about the roses, leaving the can over them until danger of freezing is over. My roses are all grown in the yard. For slugs and bugs I use soapsuds; for aphids I use sulphur, tobacco tea or white hellebore, though whale-oil soap is the best with which to make a suds and wash the plant.—Miss Mary J. Coomes, Kentucky.

THE MORNING GLORY.

I have been most successful in growing the morning glory, having loved them always. They grow best for me in rich soil, in a sunny spot, and while all the colors are lovely, I like the deep purple best for its ability to change from purple to deep pink, according to the weather. Deep purple in clear weather will be deep pink when it is damp. I also bring in young plants for winter blooming, and have some now all in bud.—Mrs. Chas. G. Emerson, Connecticut.



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Insects Eating Roses—Mrs. John H. Cole, New York—The insects which chew the leaves of plants can easily be destroyed by sprinkling the plant with a solution of Paris green, one teaspoonful to a gallon of water, applied in the evenings. This followed by several sprayings of kerosene emulsion or whale-oil sap solution should keep the plants in good condition.

Begonia Rubra—Miss Zella Bamly, Tennessee—The begonia leaf and flower which you enclosed with your letter is apparently of the variety Rubra, catalogued by all mail-order houses, and usually sells at a price of from 10 to 15 cents. You will be able to get plants at this time from any of the mail-order houses through their fall catalogues, which are just being sent through the mails.

Winter Care of Cannas—Mrs. Frank Pyburn, Wisconsin—Allow the plants to remain until the tops have been killed down by the first severe frost, then cut off the tops to within five or six inches of the ground, and take up the plants, leaving considerable soil about the roots, then store in baskets or boxes in the cellar, where the temperature will not fall below freezing and where it is not extremely hot and dry. The soil about the roots will keep the tubers from drying up and they will require no further attention.

Winter Care of Hibiscus—Mrs. L. C. O'Barr, Alabama—The hibiscus is easily cared for in the winter by being stored in a light cellar in a cool place. The plants can be trimmed to any desired shape, and while not growing, water should be withheld to keep the soil, if anything, on the dry side—just enough water to keep the plants from absolutely drying up. It is not necessary at all to keep the plant growing through the winter, and it can be stored the same as woody plants, such as oleanders, etc., just as well as not.

Best Time for Planting Peonies—Mrs. S. E. Emmert, Iowa—The month of September is the proper and best time for planting or transplanting peonies, although fall planting up to November in some sections will bring about satisfactory blooming in the spring. This early fall planting is necessary that the roots may establish themselves and the flowering buds be formed before winter sets in. Otherwise the plants will not bloom next spring at all. Set the roots out, therefore, in September or October, by all means, and the earlier in either one of these months the better.

Mealy Bug Affecting Impatiens, or Sultan's Balsam—Mrs. S. M. Rowland, Ohio—The clipping which you sent of the impatiens shows many small mealy bug insects, and, as the writer has mentioned to Mrs. A. H., New York, this issue, the only real effective remedy for applying to a whole plant is Nicotinic acid. If the plant is small the insects can be easily killed by using a small hair brush in alcohol. This will kill them instantly, but it will be necessary to touch every insect on the plant to secure the complete remedy that would come from the use of the first-mentioned solution.

Fern Runners—Mrs. Free, Wisconsin—You may not be aware that the propagation of ferns of the Boston type is carried on through detaching the long runners, or what are thought by some people to be undeveloped fronds and which appear around the base of the plant. These runners will take root readily if buried in a separate box or pot of soil. After forming a root growth small fronds will shoot up and the runner can then be cut from the parent plant and the new runner plant potted. If one does not care to carry on propagation by the use of the runners, they might just as well be cut off and all strength of the plant sent into the fronds.

Seedling Dahlia—Mrs. J. H. Robinson, Ohio—The flower which you send for examination, while a seedling and possibly a trifle different in form and color from existing varieties, does not show characteristics to make it of any particular value. You understand there are hundreds of varieties in cultivation and a great many so similar to the flowers you have sent that it would not be possible to introduce the seedling as any particular novelty, and therefore of unusual value. You might communicate with Mr. C. Betscher, Canal Dover, Ohio, a very large grower of dahlias and one who would be particularly interested in securing all new sorts available.

Winter Care of Premium Roses—Mrs. Philip Sturges, Michigan—Most of the roses which we have sent out as premiums have been of the

monthly blooming varieties and not considered strictly hardy. The ever-blooming roses of today, however, being the result of comparatively recent cross of the hardier garden varieties, are of surprising hardiness, and the writer has found that most of them will stand the winter in this section, many of them without any protection at all, and if the plants are banked up with some rough material to allow of circulation of air about the base of the plant. A good covering of rough straw manure or leaves or anything that will absolutely shed the water and give protection from the winter storms of sleet and rain. Many of the tender varieties will be found to withstand many of our severest winters. The important point is to tie up the tops or cover them in a way that will keep them dry.

Care of Cannas in Winter—Jos. L. Thum, Ohio—As a rule well-cured roots of cannas from plants which have well matured usually can be kept through the winter without any great difficulty. In the fall, after the tops have been chilled by frost and the tops have dried a few days, dig up the plants. These should then dry the same as you would dry potatoes. The roots should then be put on shelves in a cellar where you think potatoes would keep well. One should watch that the roots do not become too warm, especially before the cold weather sets in, nor should they become too moist. The roots which you kept on the cellar floor last winter undoubtedly drew a certain amount of moisture and cold, and storing on shelves would remove these chances of loss. Remember the roots should be as well matured as possible when stored. Do not cut the plants down before the tops have been chilled by frost, and see that the roots are then dried out thoroughly before setting away.

Flowering Begonias—Bessie Tull, Illinois—Undoubtedly there is some local unfavorable soil conditions which accounts for the plants doing poorly, and without further information that would enable the writer to diagnose the trouble would ask if you have followed the proper rules for the care of begonias. You do not even say whether or not the plants are of the Rex type. These require a rich, light, well-drained sandy soil, plenty of water and moist atmosphere, and a cool, partially shady location. The flowering begonias, while quite different from the Rex type, require the same kind of soil and about the same rules for watering. Tuberous begonias are generally grown under conditions not unlike the above, but when first planted out they should not be overwatered. Undoubtedly the plants which were exposed to the full sun failed to do well for this reason, and your letter would indicate that the other plants lacked a good soil. Introduce a good, well-drained garden soil when you take the plants up for potting and transferring indoors, and with proper attention given to shading and watering, think they will come out all right.

Propagating Rubber Plant—Mrs. P. Paria, Louisiana—This work should not be undertaken excepting when the plant is in a state of growth, and the best time is in the early spring or early summer. A cut should be made lengthwise of the stem of about three inches in length half way through the stalk. Hold the cut open by inserting a match or a small stick crosswise of the cut, then completely cover the cut with sphagnum moss to the size of a baseball, tying the moss firmly and keeping it wet at all times. In three weeks or so the roots from the cutting will show through the moss and the cutting can then be severed from the plant. Pot at once and keep shaded for a few days until the roots become established in the soil is all that is necessary to secure the new plant. The old or stock plant should at this time be cut back, and if it is of single stem it will soon form a good branched plant. If already branched, it will only help to make the plant of a more bushy form. The writer is sending you by mail a small package of the moss for which you make inquiry.

Propagating Large-Flowered Clematis—R. L. Davison, New York—The most common form of propagation of clematis is by grafting on roots of Clematis Flammula or Paniculata. Cuttings having been taken from plants which have been grown under glass and of wood that is not entirely ripe. Scions taken from outdoor summer-growing plants do not seem to do well. The grafted plants are then grown in cool houses with general balm heat. Another way of propagation is followed by taking cuttings of wood nearly ripe, and which has been grown indoors, and handle as one would handle other cuttings—by growing in hotbeds and following the same rules of shading, spraying and airing, as one would follow with cuttings of other plants. A third form of propagation is layering. The bark of the growing plant is split by a twist of the stem instead of a knife being used, and the ends are then pegged down and covered with soil. It is enough to say in the propagation of clematis that it is not carried on by more than probably a half dozen growers in this country, simply because it is attended with so many difficulties and loss that, excepting with specialists, such as the foreign growers, the work proves costly and unprofitable. If you are especially interested and anxious to give the propagation

a trial, the writer will place you in communication with one of the largest growers, from whom you probably can get some circulars covering the information desired.

Lemon Badly Affected with Scale—H. W. Ackerman, Pennsylvania—You do not say anything as to the size of the lemon plant, sample leaves of which you enclosed and which show them to be very badly affected with scale. These insects are taking all of the juices of the plant and they must be completely removed before the plant can regain a healthy condition. A simple treatment and generally effective remedy is a strong solution of Ivory soap. A wash once or twice a week for five or six weeks will generally kill all scale. If the plant is not too large, the easiest way is to make up a strong solution in a tub, invert the plant and immerse it completely. Special soap preparations, such as whale-oil soap, fir-tree oil soap, caustic potash soap, etc., have the same effect and possibly act more quickly. It would not hurt the plant to pick off the worst affected leaves. It is really not uncommon for a lemon plant to lose its foliage in the fall, being of tropical nature, and requiring much heat and moisture, it is not expected to keep up a good color of foliage under unnatural conditions. Do not try to force growth during the winter. Keep the soil simply moist, if anything rather on the dry side. The temperature should not be below 55 or 60 degrees, and a higher temperature if possible.

Propagating Larkspur—Mrs. Emma M. Gardner—The hardy larkspur is not extremely difficult to raise from seed. Of course, you understand that if the seed was not properly planted and watered you could not expect good results. The writer would suggest that you try a new lot of seed, which you can get at this time.

(2) **Blood-Red Phlox**—One of the darkest varieties of phlox is the Von Lowsburg, which is practically the same as the variety Niobe. If there is any difference in the two it is very little. The writer has always considered it one of the most beautiful phlox grown.

(3) **Plants to Harmonize**—For a collection of plants to harmonize with the Md. Edward Andre clematis it would be necessary to eliminate those with red and pink flowers. Something with blooms of white, yellow or shades of blue would be better. A good generous planting of columbine would make a beautiful planting, and you understand that they give you all of these colors—white, yellow and different shades of purple. There is nothing in the perennial line more beautiful.

(4) **Cucumber Blight**—The writer is unable to give you a remedy for the cucumber blight. It is a bacterial trouble, causing the entire vine to droop and die. The writer would suggest that you correspond with Searles Brothers, of Toledo, Ohio, one of the largest growers of vegetables in the state of Ohio. If any remedy is known, they certainly have it.

Resurrection Plant—Mrs. F. Thompson, Ohio—You may not be aware that the resurrection plant is a native of the sandy deserts of Arabian Syria. It is an annual and grows about six inches high. After the flowering season it drops its foliage and the branches roll up in a ball which contains the seeds. With the winter rains the branches open again and the seeds germinate quickly. The so-called dead plants do not in reality come to life, but retain their

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(2) **Collection of Plants**—It would be too much to expect the five plants, which you mention, to be mailed for 25 cents, as there are different varieties offered, some of which are difficult to propagate. The writer would suggest that you consult catalogues advertised through the columns of this paper. Fifty cents for the collection would be about right.

Propagation of Ferns—Mrs. A. E. Stinson, Oklahoma—The reply to Mrs. Free, Wisconsin, this issue, from whom a somewhat similar inquiry was received, will give you information concerning treatment of fern runners. The writer would suggest that you use simply a good garden soil for use in rooting the runners and for potting the runners after they have rooted. These runners are not particular about their care and attention and will grow easily under the same general conditions that you give the parent plant. In view of the pot-bound condition of the old plant, it would be well to report it, but do not make a shifting to too large a size. That is, better from a four to a five-inch pot than from a four to a seven-inch pot. The ferns are also propagated by divisions, and if the main plant is larger than you care for it to be, you can remove all soil from it and simply pull it apart into as many complete divisions of individual plants as it will make. Generally a four or five-inch pot will make from five to ten. These divisions can then be potted in from two-and-one-half-inch to four-inch pots, using a good garden soil with a little charcoal, broken pots or rough material in the bottom for drainage, and the plants must be kept from the full sun for ten days or so, after which they will take hold and require the usual care. During this wet, but not soaked, and the plants not allowed to become chilled. Any of the fronds which are not perfect or out of proportion to the balance of the plant can be removed without any injury whatever.

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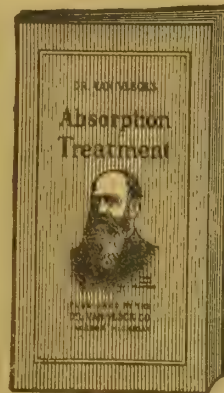
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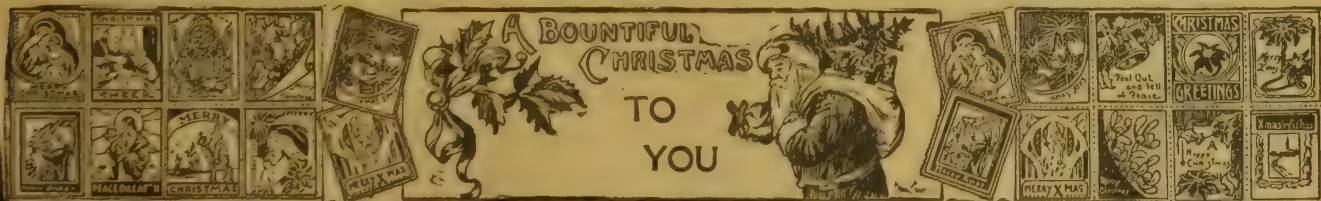
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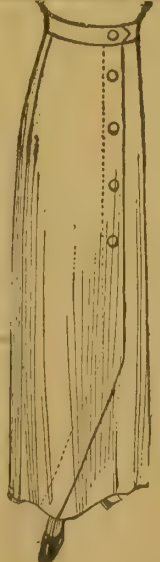
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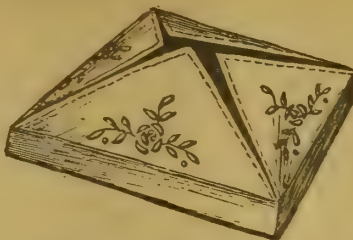
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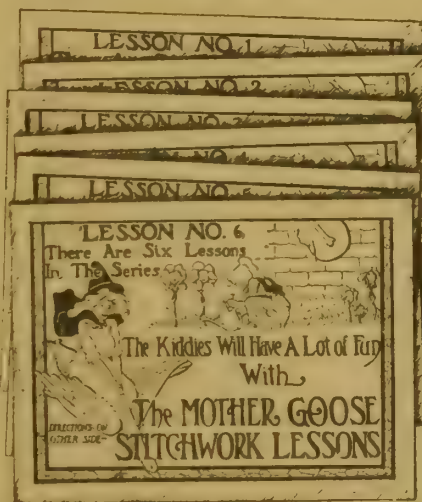
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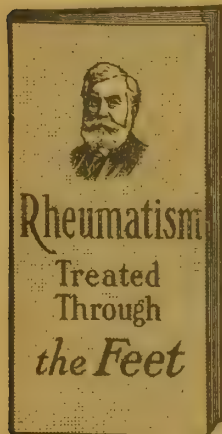
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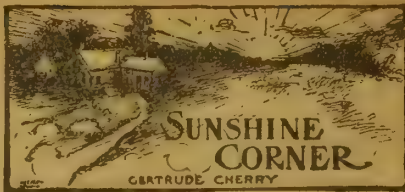
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As you journey on life's way.

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As you pass along;

Days of gloom and sadness meet,

With a cheerful song:

Let some kindly word you say,

Lighten some one's darker way,

And the flowers of love will bloom

All along thy path of gloom.

Scatter love like flowers sweet,

With a willing hand;

Do not let the moments fleet,

While you idly stand:

Everywhere is sorest need,

Eyes that weep and hearts that bleed;

Love will turn the night to day,

Love will brighten all the way.

—Rev. Geo. O. Webster.

Love and sympathy are needed every day. There are those in all walks of life who need the smile or the pressure of the hand indicating a feeling of interest and sympathy. Many a person would give up in despair if it was not for this friendly feeling, and especially must we send out our loving thoughts to those who are shut in from the world.

To those who are living in the gloom, we have a short poem which was the last written by that noble and spiritual woman, Mrs. Margaret E. Sangster:

"Live in the sunshine, don't live in the gloom,
Carry some gladness the world to illumine.

"Live in the brightness, and take this to heart,
The world will be gay if you'll do your part.

"Live on the housetop, not down in the cell,
Open-air Christians live nobly and well.

"Live where the joys are, and scorn defeat,
Have a good-morrow for all whom you meet.

"Live as the victor, and triumphing go,
Through this world, beating down every foe.

"Live in the sunshine, God meant it for you,
Live as the robins and sing the day through."

Henry Ward Beecher once said: "We can sing away our cares easier than we can reason them away. The birds are the earliest to sing in the morning; the birds are more without care than anything else I know of. Lift the voice of praise against cares. Praise God by singing—that lift you above trials of every sort. Attempt it. They sing in heaven, and among God's people on earth. Song is the appropriate language of Christian feeling."

READ! THINK! ACT!

Often we see the danger signal at the railroad crossing, "Stop, Look, Listen," and while our above heading is not a railroad-crossing sign, yet we do consider it almost as important. Recently a Sunshiner has been awakened to the needs of the shut-ins, and asks us to arouse the Sunshiners from "our selfish apathy and indifference," and adds, "For

it is indifference more than intentional neglect, I am sure." Then this true Sunshiner speaks of a very special case which has interested her, and I believe her own words will be as impressive as any we might say. She has taken a special interest in Mrs. Sadie M. Gieve, of Home, Washington, Box 10 A. This shut-in has never asked for one cent, yet she is suffering for the real food which her poor, frail body needs to give her strength. At one time she was able to help others and did much Sunshine work among the sick and poor. She and her husband are both very feeble, and Mr. Gieve is too old to do a day's work. The following words taken from the letter of our good Sunshiner are worth repeating here: "To think of Mr. and Mrs. Gieve in danger of losing their little home all for the want of a hundred dollars! A hundred Sunshiners could give a dollar each, and that mortgage would be raised long before it is due next February. A little, a very little self-sacrifice on our part, the going without a few luxuries, and most of us could soon have several dollars with which to help those less fortunate than we. Sick, suffering, old, and without money! It is a pitiful outlook. We ought to pay off the mortgage and send them a substantial lift every month." This good Sunshiner then spoke of Mrs. M. A. Strickland, of Union City, Michigan, R. F. D. 4, who has been confined to her bed about thirty years. Her husband is a train flagman, but cannot work all the time, as he is ill so much with asthma and other troubles. Mrs. Strickland has to be alone when her husband does work. They are very poor. The following is what this Sunshiner says about this shut-in: "Then poor Mrs. Strickland's case is enough to make one weep—so ill and weak and helpless and so destitute; it is awful. Can't you urge every one who is at all able, to send a thank offering for the blessings of health and strength, and for peace in our land, while Europe is in the agonies of war? Oh, I hope many will respond generously to the needs of these and other sufferers, and that we may feel our responsibility to do what we can towards soothing the moans that circle the globe. And more, that we may be able to point the weary ones to Christ, who alone can give them joy and rest and peace, for what a tender, loving Savior he is!

"May I start the Gieve-Strickland Fund? Am sending money order for that purpose. I make my dresses and hats, and thus save being so situated that I cannot earn."

Now, your editor has a word. We have tried, oh, so hard, to help shut-ins out of our Emergency Fund, which is supplied from the sale of mends. But the income is so very small, it is very hard to help many, and then only a very small sum. Some months we take in ten dollars, but usually not so much. Now, how many will that help? We have mentioned only two cases above, while our books contain names of dozens of worthy shut-ins. Are you interested or do you care about these poor, suffering souls? If you would read just one day the sad, pitiful letters, asking for help for food and medicine, it would make your heart ache, as it does mine. What can I do? I can only help by making an appeal to you through our Sunshine Corner.

Oh, that we had the income to assist each one and make them more comfortable! Many are trying to make their living, although suffering intensely, and if

we are going to buy things for Christmas, why not help these poor souls, who need the money to buy food and clothing? Many do beautiful work in crochet, knitting, painting, bead work, embroidery, etc., as mentioned in our Exchange Column each month. By cutting out the lists in each issue, one may keep them for ready reference.

Now, we feel, as Sunshiners, you cannot let this appeal from this true Sunshiner go by unnoticed. She asks your editor of this column to receive all money for the Gieve-Strickland Fund. And we will add that we will gladly receive the amount for the Emergency Fund, whereby other sufferers may be helped. Now it is Thanksgiving time and a good time to give a substantial offering for these poor, suffering ones. Mark your gift so we will know where you want it to go. Or, if you are interested in any others especially, you can send to them direct, as you choose. You have not failed in the past; let us sacrifice some of our wants now and give a helping hand to these funds. Can we raise this one hundred dollars by January 1st? Let us try it. Send all money for Emergency Fund or Gieve-Strickland Fund to Mrs. Gertrude Cherry, Xenia, Ohio.

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WHERE TO SEND CHEER.

A coat or sweater is much needed by an old lady, 72 years old. Her bust measure is 38 inches. Send to Mrs. Sarah Crystal, care of Miss Esther Levy, Cornwall, N. Y., Orange County, Box 314.

Do not forget Miss Frank Whitney, Mexico, N. Y., when sending out cheer. She is always doing for others. Has no means of support. Is a shut-in. Miss Whitney taught school years ago. She crochets bath mats for 25 cents each.

Miss Esther Levy, Cornwall, N. Y., Box 314, sends the following list for cheer, requesting all to be sent in her care: Mr. Walter Brenne, 72 years old; Mrs. Matilda Right, 73 years old (patchwork, wool or crochet cotton); Master Harold Ban, 4 years old, and Gracie Ban, 3 years old (toys of any kind).

Mrs. Carrie Mead, of Wampaca, Wis., is a great sufferer from nervous trouble, as she has had much trouble and sickness. She lives alone and gets sad and despondent. Says Sunshine letters help her so much. She was very grateful to those who sent her a "mite" toward getting the rubber stocking she needs. She is very poor. Tries to make a living by crochet work.

We know of one worthy shut-in who never asks for aid, who would appreciate some balls of white crochet cotton, Nos. 20, 50 or 5. She makes collar and cuff sets for sale. Her fingers are crippled, and she lies flat on her back in a wheel-chair. Here she has lain for many years, cannot move on either side, result of broken ribs caused by being thrown from a buggy in a runaway. The doctors did not know what was her trouble until six years after the accident, which has caused her all these years of suffering. A sister cares for her, but now is very ill. They have very little on which to live. This shut-in is Miss Dolly Rose, Manchester, Ohio, Adams County.

NOTICE.

We understand that Mr. E. A. Brown, Solicitor, Oskaloosa, Iowa, Mission Home, has given up this position for the present. We mentioned this work in the May issue. We thought we should tell our readers, so they would not send further contributions to him.

TWO SPECIAL REQUESTS.

Mrs. A. F. Thompson, Oxford, Maine, has diabetes, and is very much discouraged. She wonders if some Sunshine Branch will send

her some canned goods, and cocoa, or a little tea or coffee. She tries to take orders for magazines and does mending, but very little is made, and she really needs the necessary food to give her strength.

Another case is that of Mrs. M. J. Maddox, Elberton, Ga., who tries to raise plants to sell. She would appreciate orders. She asks the Sunshiners to send her cheery letters. She says she gets lonesome when ill and would like to hear from Sunshiners. Write to her for an order price.

EXCHANGE COLUMN.

Miss Anna Morton, Arcadia, Tenn., a very worthy young shut-in, has rose beads to sell. Also write to Miss R. F. Knapp, Cazenovia, N. Y., for her large list of fancy articles, with prices.

Write to Miss M. E. Rogers, Sanford, N. C., for list of her crochet work. Her work is very good, and will please.

Now is the time to begin to place your orders with shut-ins for the Christmas work. Buy from them, who are so brave, in spite of suffering, to support themselves. They deserve our help.

Does any one want crocheted ends for dresser scarfs? Miss Bessie Parker, Irving, N. Y., makes them very cheap. Write to her for prices. She would appreciate a few stamps to send out letters to other shut-ins.

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One of our Sunshiners has a very good violin and outfit, also a banjo, which she wishes to sell. The violin she has had for years, but she needs the money more, and hopes some one will want to buy it. Both instruments are good ones, and she will sell them at a reasonable price. She also has an Eastman kodak developing outfit, also a hand-woven bead chain, which she would like to sell. Address Miss R. F. Knapp, Cazenovia, N. Y.

Some time ago we heard from a shut-in who has rheumatism and has lost both limbs. He is striving to support himself, wife and three children by making name plates for dog collars, trunks, etc., at 25 cents each. Also makes watch fobs, grip and suit-case tags at 35 cents each. Makes key tags for identification on key rings at 25 cents. We hope you may give him an order. Address Mr. Chas. R. Bowman, 408 Blanding Street, Columbia, S. C.

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A very sad case comes to us asking for help. This shut-in has never walked a step in his life. He gets about in a wheel-chair and has only the right hand to work it. A short time ago he lost his father. Besides the awful grief, he says it has thrown them from a state of comfort to one of dire want. He now feels he must be the support of his invalid mother and sister, as well as himself, and yet he is helpless to go out and earn. As a last resort he is trying to sell post cards, but of course this means little income. He writes nicely on a typewriter and would be so glad if he could earn his living this way, but he says since he cannot, he would like to sell the machine, for he needs the money so badly. If our Sunshiners can give this poor young man a bright ray of hope, a lift out of despair, do it quick. Address Andrew W. Pera, South Brooklyn, N. Y., 469 63rd Street.

AN APPEAL

Miss Ruth Knapp, of Cazenovia, N. Y., a Sunshine worker, brings to our attention the case of a young girl who has musical talent and longs for an education, but is too poor and has to work in a mill. She is able to save almost nothing after she pays her board. It does seem a pity that she has to give up the longed-for education, just for the lack of a few dollars. Perhaps some of our readers would love to help this young lady by sending some silver offering to Miss Knapp, marked "For the Young Musician." The Sunshiners came to the aid of the young missionary student so faithfully, that he was enabled to keep on in school, when it looked as though he would have to give up. And we know you will not fail us now. Sunshine does such beautiful and noble things. Do not think a gift too small. Every cent counts. When you send your mite to Miss Knapp, you might send her a few stamps to help her in her Sunshine work.

APPRECIATION

Miss Sue Rudisill, of 713 Laurel Street, Reading, Pa., wishes to thank "Sunshine Julia" and a friend from Hudson, Wis., and Orville, Cal., and a few others that had no name, for kindness received. She appreciates everything so much.

Miss Almira Pattison, State Hospital, Midletown, N. Y., wants to thank all for kindness sent to her. She wishes to be remembered on Thanksgiving and Christmas. Is very fond of sweets.

Mrs. M. A. Strickland, of Union City, Mich., R. F. D. 4, thanks all who sent her cheer on her birthday. She heard from some old friends and many new ones, which helped to pass the day very pleasantly. She is very anxious to be remembered on Thanksgiving.

Miss Agnes Alexander, 1465 Cooper Street, Augusta, Ga., requests us to thank all who have so kindly remembered her mother, Mrs. Jeanne Earl dos Passos, on her seventy-fourth birthday. She tried to acknowledge each gift, but some did not send address. Both are happy over the birthday surprises, so many useful things to help. There was a mistake in print about their address, as it was printed St. Augusta, Ga., instead of Augusta, Ga. Miss Alexander is so grateful for the orders received for her net work. Let every one send money when they send the order. The work is very reasonable, and no one should ask her to do it for less.

NEWS FROM BETHESDA MISSION.

Miss Elizabeth Crawford, one of our missionaries and teachers at the Bethesda Mission in Wynnewood, Okla., cannot thank the kind friends enough who have become interested in this school for the colored children, whose parents at one time were slaves to the Indians. Miss Crawford and the others are so thankful to our Sunshiners who have sent offerings and donations. They need all these, for they are crowded in a small building of six rooms, have something like eighty pupils, many of these they board all the time, and they teach, eat, and sleep in this small building. The hardships are great. Four loyal white women, without one cent of salary, are teaching this black race. They use the Bible as the text-book. Teach sewing, cooking, and music with the common school branches. Three of the girls left this summer for higher education, entering colleges. Miss Crawford wrote that the garden had been burned out by the sun and there is little fruit. Barrels of fruit and clothing, we are sure, would mean much to them. This school is not under any church board, which makes it all the harder on these noble women to support the work. These women have undertaken this work simply because they saw it was needed. These children needed this help. The work has been in operation something like fifteen years, we believe. Miss Crawford is a United Presbyterian and the others are members of the Presbyterian or Methodist Churches, we understand. But they are not teaching any denomination, only trying to save souls. Now the good news is this: Miss Crawford has received word from Mr. Rosenthal, the philanthropist of Chicago, that he will give them two thousand dollars if they can raise the same. This money is badly needed to erect a larger and better building. A grand opportunity for those interested in Home Missions. Now any one who wishes to help in this great work may send their offering direct to Miss Elizabeth Crawford, Wynnewood, Okla., Bethesda Mission.

This school has had bulletins printed which tell of the work. You may have one if you write to Miss Crawford.

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AGENTS WANTED.

We are in a position to help Sunshiners or shut-ins who wish to sell something good for an honest living. Write to Mrs. Gertrude Cherry, Xenia, Ohio, for particulars. Be sure to send stamp, for there is no money in it for our work. It is simply to help others who have to make a living.

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And caught a splash of mire,
Sailed in the brook and then were dried
Before the kitchen fire.

And many a scratch from many a thorn
These playfellows had won,
Before their time of rest drew near
At setting of the sun.

Yet fair they are to mother's sight,
This bruised and battered pair,
And "Guide these wanderers aright"
Is mother's whispered prayer.

Thanksgiving roast turkey

Select a turkey, preferably a hen turkey, weighing not over ten or twelve pounds. If the family be large, it is better to have two ten-pound turkeys. See that the breast is plump, the legs pliable, and do not be governed by the fact that the skin is white and fair—sometimes they are not so good as those which are darker in color. Have the bird drawn, and if possible the tendons drawn from the legs. Singe, cut neck close to body, remove pin feathers, and thoroughly scrub the bird inside and out, being careful that it does not stay in the water. Wipe well and stuff, then truss and put in a roasting pan, breast down. Sprinkle with flour and salt, and place in a hot oven. Baste every fifteen minutes the first hour of roasting, using butter and hot water. After turning the bird over on its back, cover with butter, and brown. If a crust is desired, cream together butter and flour, using twice as much butter as flour. A ten-pound turkey needs three hours to cook, and more time will not hurt it. The heart, liver and gizzard should be cooked in water until the last is tender. The neck may be cooked with them, and this stock is excellent for making gravy, or if a bread stuffing is used, for moistening the bread. Chop and add them to the gravy.

Chestnut stuffing

Blanch one pound of Italian chestnuts, boil until very tender, and put through a ricer. Add one cupful of bread crumbs, one-half cupful of shortening, one and one-half tablespoonfuls of poultry seasoning, one-half cupful of seeded raisins, with salt, pepper, celery salt, sugar and cayenne to taste. Mix thoroughly. This is excellent for poultry and game.

Thanksgiving pudding

Take half a pound of stale cake and lay in slices in the bottom of the mold; cover with one-half cupful each of stoned raisins, citron, blanched almonds, candied cherries and chopped figs; put more slices of cake on top, pour over half a pint of milk, four eggs and a large cupful of sugar. Steam an hour and serve with sauce.

To prepare mincemeat

Take five pounds of beef and boil; chop fine with three pounds of suet; seed four pounds of raisins, wash four pounds of currants, slice a pound of citrons, chop four quarts of apples; put in a sauce pan with cinnamon, cloves, ginger, nutmeg,

the juice and rind of two lemons, one tablespoonful of pepper, and two pounds of sugar. Pour over a quart of sweet cider and one quart of molasses, add a quarter of a pound of butter; let come to boil, put in jars, and set in a cool place. Use when needed by baking in rich puff paste.

Good dumplings

Dumplings made by the following recipe will be light and dry, and will be found excellent to serve with chickens, guinea fowl or veal, and may be reheated in the gravy in a casserole. They may be made on the top of the stove, also, if care is taken to keep the liquid at the simmering point, and not let it boil rapidly after the dumplings are dropped in. Have the gravy thinner than is wanted to serve, as it will thicken some with the cooking of the dumplings. For five persons, beat one egg till smooth and light, add one cupful of sweet milk, one-fourth of a teaspoonful of salt, and flour enough to make a stiff batter. Mix one teaspoonful of baking powder with the last of the flour, and beat well. Drop by teaspoonfuls into the hot gravy, cover and cook fifteen minutes. Dish around the edge of a deep plate, the meat and gravy in the middle.

Browned sweet potatoes

Wash and boil tender, peel and slice lengthwise. Cover the bottom of a baking dish with a layer of slices, spread thickly with butter and sugar, then more potatoes, butter and sugar, filling the dish. Set in the oven until the top is brown.

Date sandwiches

Chop stoned dates until soft enough to spread. Use thin slices of buttered bread and make sandwiches. Instead of buttering the bread one may substitute finely chopped nuts, if desired. These sandwiches will make a most satisfying luncheon.

Rice and honey

Wash and drain a cupful of rice and throw into a quart of boiling water. Add a piece of butter the size of a walnut and one teaspoonful of salt. Boil half an hour until the grains are tender, but not mushy. Drain off the water, mix with two tablespoonfuls of butter (olive oil will do), and put in the oven for a few minutes to dry. Serve with hot honey.

Useful aprons

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Faded ecru curtains

If ecru curtains become bleached on the lower half where they hang at the window unprotected from the sun, as mine did, try dissolving two or three teaspoonfuls of yellow ochre in a half cupful of warm water and putting it in your starch. A painter suggested it to me when I had tried cold coffee with no satisfaction, and I was greatly pleased with the result. There is nothing in it harmful to the curtains, and it does not streak them. Yel-

low ochre can be obtained at any hardware store where paint is sold, and can be bought in two and three cent quantities, as so little is needed for the curtains.

Keeping flowers fresh

Flowers may be kept very fresh over night, if they are excluded from the air. To do this wet them thoroughly, put in a damp box, and cover with wet raw cotton or wet newspaper, then place in a cool spot.

Embroidered initials

When embroidered sheets and pillow cases become worn, the initial or monogram, which is perfectly good, may be cut out in a circle, and used again by neatly feather-stitching on the new material. This is very effective and saves a great deal of time as well.

To beat carpets or rugs

An excellent device in rug cleaning is to put an old (probably saggy) wire bed spring upon the ground and lay the rug or carpet to be beaten upon it. This will keep the rugs off the ground, thus allowing the dust to go through the springs without settling upon the other side of the rug, as is the case when the article to be beaten is spread on the ground.

Washing muddy skirts

To make muddy skirts wash easily and look white, take some sour milk, dilute with water and soak the skirt in it over night; then wash in the usual way. It will be found that the skirt washes more easily and looks whiter.

Some things worth knowing

To remove dust from rattan furniture, use a painter's small brush.

Smoked ceilings may be cleaned by washing with cloths wrung out of hot water in which a small piece of washing soda has been dissolved.

To give a beautiful luster to linoleum, use one-half quantity of milk and the other half of water when washing up the floor. Dry with a soft cloth. No brush or soap required.

For scalds and burns, raw potato is invaluable and acts like magic. Pare and scrape the potato and apply directly to the scald or burn. It will afford almost instant relief and the affected part will quickly heal.

To clean ivory handles on knives and forks, mix equal parts of ammonia and olive oil. Add prepared chalk to make a paste. Rub the ivory with this and let dry before brushing off. If very much discolored, several applications are sometimes necessary.

To use up old chenille curtains, ravel, cutting the warp each inch or two. Wind four strands together on balls and weave as ordinary rag carpet is woven, using fine dark-colored warp. With skill and taste in arranging colors, a good imitation Smyrna rug can be made.

My zinc under the stove became worn out on the one spot in front of the stove, where any one cooking at the stove invariably stood. When the new zinc was bought I kept the old piece, had the plumber cut out a good square from the portion under the stove where there was no wear, and nailed this as a mat over the front part of the zinc, that a hole might not be worn in the new zinc. When this mat becomes worn there will be a new zinc under it to begin on again.



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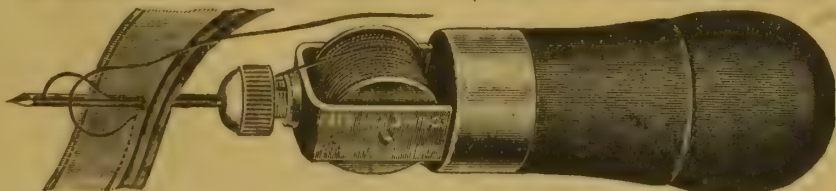
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Rice Griddle Cakes—One cupful of milk, one cupful of warm boiled rice, half a teaspoonful of salt, yolks of two eggs, whites of two eggs, one tablespoonful of melted butter, seven-eighths of a cupful of flour. Pour the milk over the rice and salt, add the yolks of eggs beaten until thick and lemon color, butter, flour, and fold in the whites of the eggs beaten until stiff and dry.

Chicken and Remnant Soup—Some chicken was left which was made into a soup and then the remainder of that soup was mixed with some remaining tomato chowder. As the soup was of bones, stuffing and remnants, and the remainder of that was used, there is good reason for the title. The mixture was an improvement on both its component parts, either of which was acceptable as at first served.

Pudding—How many know that a delicious and inexpensive pudding can be made from ginger snaps! To a quarter of a pound of ginger snaps, broken in small pieces and soaked in two parts of milk and one of water, add a pinch of baking powder, a tiny lump of butter, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, two eggs, and a half cupful of raisins. Bake in an oven not too hot. This pudding may be served with hard sauce or whipped cream.

Nut Drop Biscuits—This concoction proved a very successful innovation in making "goodies." For them, sift together a pint of flour, half a teaspoonful of salt and two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Rub in a generous tablespoonful of butter and stir to the consistency of a thick batter, using sweet milk to moisten. Add half a cupful of chopped nuts and drop the dough with a spoon upon a greased baking sheet, leaving an inch between "drops" for swelling.

Boiled Celery—Tie clean and trimmed stalks of celery in bunches with string. Cover with boiling salted water, add a chopped onion, a little mace, and two or three peppercorns. Cook slowly until done, drain, remove the strings and arrange on a serving dish. Strain the liquid and reserve enough to make a sauce. Thicken with flour cooked in butter, take from the fire, and add the yolk of an egg beaten with the juice of a lemon. Pour over the celery and serve. Less lemon juice may be used if desired.

Roled Beefsteak—Have a round steak cut quite thin and spread over it a layer of dressing such as you use to stuff turkey, only have it even more highly seasoned. Begin at one end and roll up the steak carefully and tie so as to keep its shape. Bake in a hot oven as you would a roast, have a little butter and water in the pan and baste often. It should cook a long time in order to be tender, and if it gets too brown cover with another pan. When done make a gravy of the drippings just as you would for a roast.

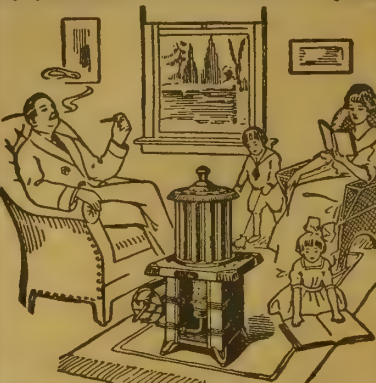
Irish Fadge—Into three-quarters of a pound of brown flour and a teaspoonful of white, well mixed, rub three ounces each of lard and drippings; add a teaspoonful of baking powder and a little salt; stir a dessert-spoonful of vinegar into two well-beaten eggs and mix to a stiff paste; roll quickly and lightly about three-quarters of an inch thick, cut into triangular pieces, and bake at once in a brisk oven for twenty minutes. This is delicious split and buttered while hot; it is equally good cold, with butter or marmalade.

Fried Apple Sauce—Quarter, core and pare the apples. In a thick skillet slowly cook a large tablespoonful of butter until it is a pale brown. Pack in the apples, drop a half teaspoonful of butter in bits over the top, cover closely and place somewhat to one side of the fire that the cooking may not be too fast. When the apples are fairly tender, sprinkle over them as much sugar as you think will make them fairly sweet, but do not stir. When done turn carefully into a serving dish and send hot to the table with a pitcher of cream.

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Orange Float—Make a custard of two coffee-cupfuls of milk, yolks of four eggs, four tablespoonfuls of white sugar, and set aside to cook. Take the juice of two oranges and the rind of one, strain over two tablespoonfuls of gelatine and one teaspoonful of sugar; pour gently over this one pint of boiling water; stir until dissolved and set aside to cool; beat the four whites stiff, and stir into this one spoonful at a time; put the grated rind into the custard; put into a glass bowl and heap the float upon it. It requires a good deal of beating.

Codfish Balls—Six medium-sized potatoes, one cupful of salt codfish in small bits, two level tablespoonfuls of butter, pepper, one egg, anchovy butter. Wash and pare the potatoes and cook until tender in boiling salted water. Drain and mash thoroughly. Add the butter, pepper to taste and the codfish, which has been soaked in cold water, then put in fresh cold water and brought to a boil, and minced fine; then the egg slightly beaten. Make a cavity in each one with the handle of a wooden spoon and fill with anchovy butter. Cover with a little of the mixture; roll in fine crumbs and fry in deep fat. Drain on brown paper and serve garnished with parsley.

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I never considered myself a salesman, never having sold any goods, and knowing nothing whatever about this so-called "scientific salesmanship." I had been looking around for months for the right opportunity, when in reading my favorite magazine I happened to run across the ad of a concern selling a Folding Bath Tub. I had seen this ad once or twice before, and had read same thoroughly. Their proposition certainly looked good. They were selling a tub made of special "steel" product that would fold in a roll when not in use, and was positively guaranteed not to leak and to give perfect satisfaction. They showed proof of the big money their other representatives were making, and when you take into consideration that fully 70 per cent of the homes in the country have no bath-rooms, it surely seemed reasonable that any man should be able to make quite a large salary acting as their special representative.

But not being a salesman, I thought it would be useless for me to try their proposition. Their ad read so fair, though, that I finally decided to write them a letter as they requested and see what sort of an offer they had to make. I can see now that this was probably the most important letter I ever wrote. I received a long letter from the concern, whose factory is located in Ohio, together with attractive circulars, showing and absolutely proving the big money their representatives were making, and what a wonderful boon their Folding Tub had proved to be in every home. So I decided to accept their offer and see what I could do in my town. I had at this time less than \$50 in cash, but the fine thing about their proposition was that they preferred men of integrity and honesty to men with money alone, so I had no difficulty in accepting their liberal proposition and agreeing to their liberal terms. In less time than I realized I received my complete working outfit, with complete and thorough selling instructions, and an encouraging letter from the President of the Company, Mr. H. S. Robinson, explaining just what to do and how to do it.

I started out bright and early one Tuesday morning at 8:30, a little nervous I will admit, but resolved to break away from the grim grind of daily toil for a meager pittance, resolved to get into a business of my own where I would be the "boss" and where my profits would be limited only by the time and effort I put into the business. I decided first of all to try out the game with people whom I did not know, and who would not order through friendship, but because they realized the value of the tub. Well, to make a long story short, when I went home to lunch after my first morning's work, I had disposed of three tubs. You can imagine my enthusiasm. Here I had been working for \$14 a week and the first morning in my own business I had made \$15. The first week my profits were more than I had ever made before in a month.

I soon found it necessary to appoint several sub-agents. The liberal commission the Company allowed their agents enabled me to do this. I could pay my sub-agents a good big profit and still make from \$1.00 to \$2.00 on every sale they made. Many of my agents have sold several tubs daily. My business is growing every day, and I am very optimistic as to the future.

Opportunity, after all, is not the will-o'-the-wisp, as some people claim, that comes to every man's door once in a lifetime, but a friend who is with you all the time if you will only realize it, and reach forth your hand to grasp the Big Chances as they come. Every honest man and woman in America has the same opportunity today that I had, for the Company always needs good, hustling representatives. They will start others on the same liberal basis on which they started me, assist them as they assisted me to a big financial success.

I believe that any honest man or woman can make more in a day selling the Robinson Folding Bath Tub than they can in a week at anything else.

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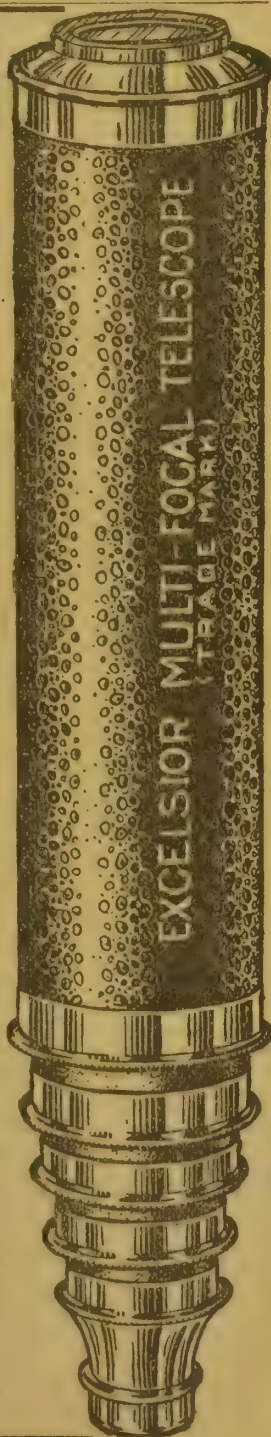
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Household Helps

Edited by Aunt Jane.

RECIPE FOR A HAPPY DAY.

"Take a little dash of cold water,
A little leaven of prayer,
A little bit of sunshine gold
Dissolved in morning air.

"Add to your meal some merriment,
Add thought for kith and kin,
And then, as a prime ingredient,
A plenty of work thrown in.

"Flavor it all with essence of love
And a little dash of play;
Let a nice old book, and a glance above,
Complete the well-spent day."

PROPER WAY TO COOK CHOCOLATE.

If you have difficulty in cooking chocolate with any liquid so that it is smooth and without lumps, try, always mixing the chocolate with sugar before cooking it.

For hot chocolate, for instance, shave the chocolate, melt it, add sugar, let the sugar melt, and then add milk or water.

For chocolate sauce for puddings and ice cream, melt the chocolate—in a double boiler, of course, so that it will not burn—add sugar, melt that, and then add the water. One recipe for this sort of sauce says to melt the sugar in the water and to boil them together for ten minutes, then to add them to the melted chocolate. But it is better to melt the chocolate, add half the sugar, boil the rest of the sugar with the water for ten minutes and then add this syrup to the sugar and chocolate. The sauce made in the first way is smooth if you use great care in mixing the syrup and the chocolate. Made in the second way it is practically sure to be smooth.

In many cases cocoa can be substituted for chocolate in cooking. In blanc mange, for instance, cocoa can be used. So can it be used for cake filling and for chocolate sauce. When it can be used it can be more easily mixed with other ingredients than chocolate, for it is part sugar.

A KITCHEN TREASURE.

If you move into a house that is minus a pantry or where the closet room in the kitchen is insufficient, this is what you can do. Take two large packing boxes, placing the larger of the two on the floor against an empty wall space. Make a broad shelf in the middle of it. This shelf holds the necessary cooking dishes of the breakable kind, while pots and pans stand on the ground shelf. The cover of the packing box can be hinged on to make a door to the cupboard. On the top of the cupboard place a smaller packing box, containing three shelves, which hold spices, boxes of cereals, etc. The whole, painted a suitable color, makes a very neat kitchen cabinet.

RECIPES IN WHICH RAISINS ARE USED.

Raisin Sandwiches—Chop fine half a pound of seeded raisins and one-fourth of a pound of walnuts together; mix with a little mayonnaise dressing, and spread between well-buttered pieces of steam bread. This makes the most delicious sandwich that can possibly be offered to a child.

Baked Raisin Pudding—Put eight ounces of dripping into a basin, warm it, and work in one pound of flour mixed with one teaspoonful of baking powder; add one teaspoonful of ground mixed spice, one ounce of candied lemon peel cut up small, four ounces of moist sugar, and six ounces of seeded raisins; mix

them well, and make the whole into a paste by adding two eggs beaten up in one teacupful of milk; turn the mixture into a well-greased tin or dish, put in a moderate oven, and bake for one hour. When done, take it out, turn the pudding out of the tin or dish, sprinkle it over with caster sugar, and serve.

Raisin Bread—Ordinary home-made bread dough; mix in half a pound of seeded raisins for each two loaves of bread, and bake in the usual way. The children will cry for it. Give it to them, for it will do no harm, but will help remove the row of medicine bottles on the upper pantry shelf.

DON'T THROW AWAY.

A tablespoonful of tomato. It will flavor the soup.

A tablespoonful of cooked rice. Use it in soup or a custard.

A tablespoonful of lemon juice. It is nice in pudding sauce.

A tablespoonful of orange juice. Use it in a dressing of fruit salad.

A tablespoonful of oysters. Chop fine, and mix in your Hamburg steak.

A tablespoonful of spiced vinegar. It improves the flavor of mincemeat.

A tablespoonful of jelly. Place in the bottom of a glass, and fill the glass with junket.

A tablespoonful of ginger syrup. Stir into a sugar sauce, and serve with apples cooked whole.

A tablespoonful of sausage meat. Add to stuffing for a beef heart. It accents the seasoning.

A tablespoonful of jam. Put in a small scooped-out mold of rice, and the extent to which it adds in taste and appearance will surprise you.

A tablespoonful of cream cheese. Soften, if necessary, with a bit of butter, add a dash of paprika, roll into two small balls. Press a walnut meat on each side, and serve with a salad.

NATURE'S LOVE SONG.

We may laugh at love romances,
And may scoff at truths they bear,
But when the sunshine glances
On the fields of green out there,
When the tuneful birds are singing
In their plentitude of cheer,
And the moments all are bringing
Something sweet to bless us here,
Why, then's the time that clearly
One word comes from above—
The best of life is merely
The old, sweet tale of love.

TO CLEAN SILVER.

Put a quarter of a pound of sal soda into a gallon of water. Place on the stove and let it come to a boil. While it is boiling put in the pieces of silverware one by one. Take out quickly and wash in soapsuds. Dry with a soft clean cloth. This will remove all discoloration and the silverware will look as if it were new, it will be so bright. It takes about a quarter of the time used in polishing with silver polish.

USEFUL HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Add a little boiling water to an omelet if you wish to keep it from being tough.

If white potatoes are inclined to turn black with cooking, try adding a few drops of vinegar to the water.

It is best to give linens a long soaking before washing. If this method is followed, stains will wash out easily.

Often when boiling eggs the white comes through the shell and spoils the

taste of the egg through its appearance. This may be prevented if a teaspoonful of salt is put into the water before boiling.

Cut squares of white oilcloth and put under the children's plates and save the table cloth.

Keep your spices in little glass jars, and a glance will tell you the contents, even if not labeled.

A range will keep black longer if you wash it with soap and water before applying the blacking.

Putting a coat of varnish on the linoleum yearly will make it last for years and look bright and new.

When the egg poacher is not handy, use the lid of a syrup can, which proves very good for the same purpose.

A delicious sweet sandwich is made of thin slices of white bread spread with jam topped with cream cheese.

A baker says that a cupful of liquid yeast is equivalent to half a compressed yeast cake or whole dry yeast cake.

When chopping suet, try sprinkling the knife with a little ground rice or cornstarch and you will have no trouble.

To keep lemons have some nice, dry, clean sawdust in a box and bury them in it and they will keep for weeks.

Sprinkle all your coal with water before using in stove or furnace; it will make a hotter fire and burn longer.

The secret of the delicious omelet lies in the use of more yolks than whites, a little rich cream and a seasoning of cheese.

For creaming butter or butter and sugar, a perforated spoon will be found more convenient than a fork or the hand.

A few drops of paraffin added to shoe blacking will impart a good polish to damp shoes and also help preserve the leather.

To keep milk toast from becoming soggy, serve the boiling buttered milk in a covered pitcher, so that each person may himself pour it on his toast.

To whiten linen that has become scorched, wet the linen with soapsuds and lay it in the sun, if the scorch is a mild one. If this does not take it out, boil in a gallon of milk in which a pound of white soap has been dissolved.

For grease, use hot water and soap, if the goods are washable. For unwashable goods, use either of the following: chloroform, ether, benzine, naphtha, turpentine, or alcohol. Spread material on blotting paper and work from the outside in, to avoid leaving a ring. Work on both sides and use a generous supply of the solvent to get out all grease and dust. Take care in their use, as they are inflammable.

Lobster Soup—Pick out the meat of a small lobster and with a silver knife cut it in small pieces. Mix with it three crackers rolled fine, salt and a speck of cayenne and two tablespoonfuls of butter. Add gradually a pint of scalding milk, stirring all the while. Boil up once and serve.



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A Thanksgiving Story

(Continued from page 6)

his children beaming with the good-natured amiability that comes from a well-filled stomach, and a most soothing aroma of hot coffee and sizzling ham in the air. The table in the dining room was spread with a red cloth, and Mollie was emerging from the kitchen with a pan of piping-hot biscuit.

Rick Riddell was a tall man, and rather slow of motion. His face was serious in expression, but his eyes were clear, brown and cheerful. He shook Mollie's right hand gratefully, while her left hand still clutched the biscuit pan.

"It's better than a picnic to have you here," he said, "only you mustn't work too hard."

Mollie pushed out her lip, after a little fashion of her own.

"I never did hurt myself any," she returned, with merry scorn, "so you needn't worry about that. But now come and eat while everything's sizzling."

Mollie was down in the kitchen early the next morning, but Rick was there first with a rattling fire in the cook stove and the big tea kettle on and already beginning to send out a slender steamy sail into the crisp air.

"I always fill the kettle for sister Rushy," he said, "and I want to tell you, Mollie, never to try to lift it. It's too heavy for you to lift, and a tippy, treacherous thing besides. I'll fill it for you always, and you can dip the hot water out with this dipper. Now I'll scoot out and milk, and then I'll do anything else you want."

"I won't need anything more," Mollie replied, reaching up after the coffee mill. "I see you've brought in a lot of nice dry chips to heat up with."

"I only wish I could bring in chips all my life, Mollie, for you," Rick blurted out, then set off in a hurry, with his milk bucket on his arm and his ears looking very red.

Mollie looked rather red herself as she popped into a chair and began to grind the coffee vigorously.

"Why can't he keep off that subject?" was her mental comment. "You can't mention anything from chips to elephants but he or some one else takes it for a peg to hang some kind of an insinuation on."

She tossed the fragrant powder into the coffee pot and seized the kettle holder. "I'll not bother to dip the water in," she said to herself. "He must think me a baby if I can't lift a tea kettle, if it is a good-sized one. 'Tis pretty heavy, though—Ouch!"

When Rick Riddell came in with the milk he found the big tea kettle upside down on the floor in a huge splash of water and Mollie huddled in a chair, holding onto her foot and groaning dismally.

"The old thing hopped right over," she explained, dolefully, leaving Rick to speculate as to whether it was the tea kettle or her foot that had done the hopping. "Of course, I had no business to be trying to lift it after you told me about it, but I did; and now what are you going to do?"

"First," said Rick, setting his milk bucket on the table, "I'm going to fix up your foot, which I see is considerably the worse for a hot-water ducking."

"But after that?" demanded Mollie, a little impatiently. "I'm afraid I can't get around to cook breakfast."

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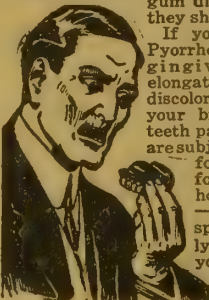
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"Of course you can't," Rick responded. "But we needn't starve clean to death, with plenty of cold biscuit and butter and grape jam, and I can finish the coffee myself."

He settled Mollie in a big, easy chair in the sitting room, with her foot comfortably dressed with cool sweet cream, and bandaged, and left her to her reflections while he went to the kitchen. She could hear him whistling and clattering things about.

"It's the first time I ever saw a man act reasonable when anything interfered with his meals," she meditated wonderingly, recalling how her respected father, whom she regarded as almost a model, occasionally conducted himself, and the curious expression he indulged in when domestic affairs got so far out of gear as to result in irregularities in the commissary department.

Rick's breakfast wasn't a dismal failure, consisting of coffee, toasted biscuit, milk and jam. The children accepted it good-naturedly, and Miss Rushy, whose rheumatism had eased sufficiently for her to join in the family circle, declared it was not such a bad meal as might be, only she was not used to having a pickle plate to eat off.

Nevertheless Mollie was troubled.

"The day after tomorrow is Thanksgiving," she said to Mr. Riddell, "and I wanted to cook up a whole lot of good things for you. Now here I am laid up and can't make even a cookie."

"Don't you fret about that," returned Rick, placidly. "We will all get along if we don't have a cookie. My breakfast didn't kill any one, so I can manage until Rushy gets about; and as for goodies, we like 'em, but I'd think it wasn't being a very good Christian if you couldn't rec-

ognize Thanksgiving day without pie and doughnuts."

In spite of which good reasoning Mollie shook her head discontentedly.

"Mother'll send 'em over something," she reflected, "but it won't be like a good, hot dinner. Mr. Riddell," she spoke up quickly, a sudden red dashing into her cheeks, "bundle up Miss Rushy and the young'ones into the big wagon Thursday and fetch them to our house to dinner. Miss Rushy is so much better I don't think it will hurt, if she wraps up."

Mr. Riddell came and stood at the back of Mollie's chair.

"Mollie," he said, "I don't believe you have forgotten the time several years ago, just the day before Thanksgiving, I asked you if I could come on Thanksgiving day and ask your father and mother if I could keep you always, and you said no, but I could come to dinner, and that would save any man from a broken heart. I don't remember quite all we said after that, but I know I told you not to ask me to dinner again, unless I might hope for something more. If I was anyways 'huffy' in what I said, that has all gone long ago, every scrap of it, and I appreciate your friendship more than you can know. You were always good as you could be to me and Rushy and the children, but somehow you can't realize that physical comfort doesn't satisfy a man's heart any more than it does his soul. The heart needs affection, and Thanksgiving dinners don't fill the bill. I don't blame you a bit, Mollie, but somehow I would rather let the old stipulation stand, that you won't ask me to your house to dinner unless you can give me a little hope as well. And now don't look cross, little girl, nor worry yourself for fear we'll go hungry. I can make some molasses cakes for the kids, and cook enough things to do, and you can sit in the big chair in the kitchen and tell me how, and tomorrow I'll wrap you up head and ears and take you home in the buggy."

Mollie should have slept well that night, no doubt, but she didn't. Perhaps her foot kept her awake; perhaps it was her conscience, or possibly her heart. At any rate, she reached a point at last where she got comfortable, and went to sleep.

Mrs. Mintley had finished her baking betimes the day before Thanksgiving, as the pantry shelves, laden with pumpkin, mince and apple pies, loaves of bread and rolls and a great chicken pie, could testify. Furthermore, her turkey was ready for the oven, and her cranberry sauce was stewing down into a luscious ruby jelly. And now the industrious little woman was whisking about the sitting room with a feather duster, brushing away some almost imperceptible flecks of dust from her mantel and window sills.

"I don't suppose Mollie'll get home much before dark," she was reflecting, serenely, "because she'll want to cook up something for them over there for tomorrow—why, there's Rick Riddell's buggy at the gate now; and my patience, if he isn't carrying her up the walk!"

She dropped the duster helter-skelter and flew to the door, the healthy color in her round face fading out. But a look at Mr. Riddell's very ecstatic countenance and Mollie's roguishly beaming face soon convinced her that nothing serious had befallen her daughter.

Rick smiled broadly as he deposited his burden in a big chair in the sitting room and stretched out his aching arm.

"She's a good handful to manage, Mrs. Mintley," he observed, "and I expect she

always will be, but I don't regret taking the contract."

"Hey!" Mrs. Mintley looked mystified, whereat Mollie laughed merrily.

"Don't look so puzzled and worried, mammy," said she, "there's nothing much out of the way. I just managed to scald my foot a little, so Mr. Riddell brought me home."

"But—"

"Oh, well," Mollie continued, "as for what he means, it's nothing; only I invited him and the whole family of Riddells to dinner tomorrow—and they're coming."

One Thanksgiving Day

(Concluded from page 5)

"But I'm sure you do feel thankful; you can't help but—after that sermon we've just heard!"

"I do now that I see it all right, but I despise myself for thinkin' and sayin' I had so little to be thankful for, when I have so much."

"Well, Davie, 'if we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive them.' Have you asked Him?"

"Yes, that's what I came here for," said the contrite man, wiping his eyes, "but I can't help feelin' real sneakin' mean and down-hearted like, for all He's kind enough to forgive the likes o' me."

"The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit," his wife was repeating, when a voice at the foot of the stairs intimated that dinner was "most spoilt," so father and mother had to come at once.

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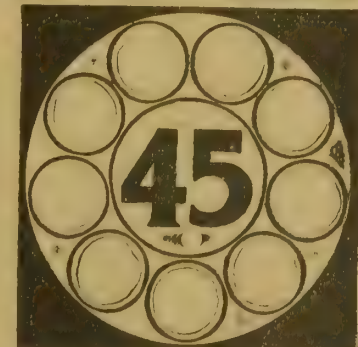
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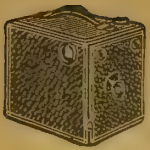
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Said the second little chicken,
With an odd little shrug,
"Oh, I wish I could find
A fat little bug!"
Said the third little chicken,
With a sharp little squeal,
"Oh, I wish I could find
Some nice yellow meal!"
Said the fourth little chicken,
With a little sigh of grief,
"Oh, I wish I could find
A green little leaf!"
Said the fifth little chicken;
With a faint little moan,
"Oh, I wish I could find
A wee gravel stone!"
"Now, see here," said the mother,
From the green garden patch,
"If you want any breakfast
You just come and scratch!"

THE FLOWERS OF STATES.

As you probably know, almost every state in the Union has its favorite or state flower, says the New York Sun. These flowers are sometimes official—that is, they have been adopted by the state legislatures—but the majority of them have been selected by the votes of public school teachers. Some again have no official standing, but are generally recognized and accepted as the state flower. Here is the latest list:

Alaska—Forget-me-not.
Arkansas—Apple blossom.
California—Golden poppy.
Colorado—Columbine.
Connecticut—Mountain laurel.
Delaware—Peach blossom.
Florida—Orange blossom.
Idaho—Syringa.
Illinois—Violet.
Iowa—Goldenrod.
Kansas—Sunflower.
Kentucky—Goldenrod.
Louisiana—Magnolia.
Maryland—Black-eyed Susan.
Maine—Pine cone.
Michigan—Apple blossom.
Minnesota—Moccasin.
Missouri—Goldenrod.
Mississippi—Magnolia.
Montana—Bitter root.
Nebraska—Goldenrod.
New Mexico—Cactus.
New York—Goldenrod.
North Dakota—Wild rose.
Ohio—Scarlet carnation.
Oklahoma—Mistletoe.
Oregon—Oregon grape.
Rhode Island—Violet.
South Dakota—Anemone patens.
Texas—Blue bonnet.
Vermont—Red clover.
Washington—Rhododendron.
West Virginia—Rhododendron.
Wisconsin—Violet.
Wyoming—Gentian.

As boys and girls should know the flower of the state they live in, suppose you pick out yours and then look up the flower itself and make yourself familiar with its characteristics

A HUMAN PENDULUM.

A story is told of an old clock which may very likely be true, though the hero of it must have been very slightly built.

After the fatal day of Culloden, a famous battle in Scotland, the soldiers of the defeated army fled in all directions, and one of them took refuge in a small

farm house, where he found sympathizing friends. They gave him food in the kitchen, while some one watched in case he was pursued. He had finished his meal, and hoping he had escaped notice, was just preparing to set off again, when there was a cry, "The soldiers are coming!" He attempted to make off by the back way, but it was seen that the party had divided, and were approaching from both directions.

There was a hurried look around for a place of refuge. "Into the clock with you, lad," said the farmer, and into the long case the fugitive squeezed. But here was not room for him and for the pendulum to swing. "You must pull on the wheel yourself," said the owner, and the clock responded with a steady tick! tick!

"Has Sir John Macdonald passed this way?" demanded the captain, as the troop entered the kitchen, and, hardly waiting for a reply, began a thorough search upstairs and down. They were soon satisfied that he whom they sought was not here. "Well for you, farmer, he's not," said the captain grimly. "Give us some food before we start off again. We shan't lose him in half an hour, as he's on foot and we ride."

How slowly the seconds seemed to pass while the men ate and drank, till at last the welcome sound of pushed back stools scraping on the flagged floor told the human pendulum that his task was nearly done.

"Good-by, farmer. Your clock warns me we must be off," and at last the captain marched off with his men. Tick! tick! tick! Hardly had the last man gone when the fugitive fell in a dead faint. The strain of keeping the clock going at an even pace had been terrible. He got safely away; but it is said that to his dying day the ticking of a clock in a quiet room made him feel faint.

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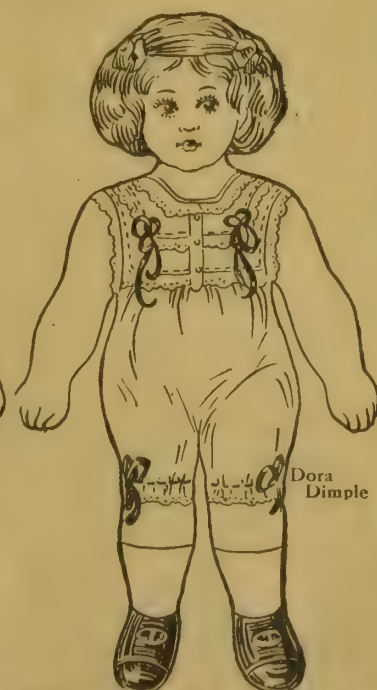
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Read across and down in twos.

Example:

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1. The point in the heavens vertical to the spectator. 2. A grayish white metal. 3. A girl's name.

1. Ardent affection. 2. Reparation. 3. Severe scrutiny. 1. Noxious effluvia. 2. Act of agreeing. 3. A loose garment.

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E R A S E
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T E E T H

No. 3—Hair. Pair. Fair. Stair. Chair.

No. 4—

Jane was a fine cook,
But would never look
In any cook book.

Not long did it take
When she wished to bake
Any kind of a cake.

And when it was done
She'd call to each one
To come on the run
And eat all we could
While it was so good,
Which suited our mood.

No. 5—Eagle. Dante.

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So she took him—like a woman.

Mrs. Helter—"Tommie, don't you think you've had enough chocolates?"
Tommie—"No, mother. There are two left."
—Life.

Elsie—"After I wash my face I look in the mirror to see if it's clean. Don't you?"
Bobby—"Don't have to. I look at the towel."

Wife—"Any fashions in that paper, Jack?"
Jack [who has just settled a dressmaker's bill]—"Yes, but they're no use to you, dear. It's yesterday's paper!"

"Are you related to Barney Sullivan?" Patrick Sullivan was once asked.

"Very distantly," replied Patrick. "I was my mother's first child and Barney was the sixteenth."

"We had a dandy meeting of the mothers' club this afternoon."

"What was the topic of discussion?"

"What to do for French poodles when they had distemper."

"Of course you have made some promises you didn't keep."

"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum. "But I never yet broke a promise to a man without giving him a better one in its stead."

When in 1871 Emerson visited the Yosemite Valley, he indulged in a piece of pie for breakfast. A diet reformer remonstrated, saying, "Why, Mr. Emerson, do you eat pie?"
The combined professor and Yankee smiled benignly and replied, "Why, what is pie for?"

"Who gave the bride away?" asked Mrs. Evans of her daughter, who had just returned from the wedding.

"Her little brother," replied the daughter; "he stood up in the middle of the ceremony and yelled, 'Hurrah, Blanche, you've got him at last!'"

Dear Old Lady—"My good man, what on earth are you doing on my lawn?"

Crafty Old Fraud—"Bless yer, kind lady! I'm that 'ungry I got to eat grass."

Dear Old Lady—"If you go round to the back you'll find the grass grows much longer and thicker there."—Punch.

Reggie—"So, by way of breaking the ice, I remarked that the weather was very cold."

Henry—"Well, and what did she reply?"

Reggie—"She said, 'The recurring phenomena of heat and cold are so frequent and so familiar as to be matters too negligible to engage my interest, Mr. Risky.'"

Henry—"That all?"—Judge.

The attorney for the gas company was making a popular address. "Think of the good the gas company has done!" he cried. "If I were permitted a pun, I would say, in the words of the immortal poet, 'Honor the Light Brigade.'"

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An Edinburgh cabman was driving an American round the sights of the northern city. In High Street he stopped, and with a wave of his whip announced, "That is John Knox's house."

"John Knox?" exclaimed the American.

"Who was he?"

"This was too much for the cabby. 'Good heavens, man,' he exclaimed, 'did you never read your Bible?'"—Westminster Gazette.

A member of the Nebraska legislature was making a speech on some momentous question, and, in concluding, said:

"In the words of Daniel Webster, who wrote the dictionary, 'Give me liberty or give me death!'"

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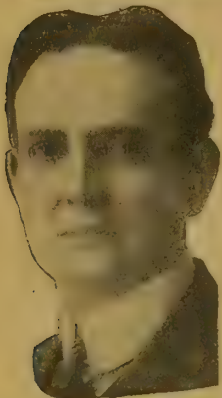
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Talks with Our Readers



At Christmas Time

Let us be merciful as well as merry, remembering Christ's poor to whom life is a battle—its brightest days not without care and anxiety—"always with us," never to be forgotten, and at Christmas remembered not only with comforts, but from the abundance of the more fortunate in worldly store, let luxuries be added also. The children (the poor man's blessing) have need of the stockings and something to fill them; their eyes will open wide with expectancy on Christmas, and let all help make them bright with glad surprise.

Good Manners

Courtesy and consideration for others are demanded of a gentleman under all circumstances, and especially in trying situations. Good manners show themselves in respect for women in work and deed; in manly regard for the feelings of equals; in prompt and cheerful submission to disappointment, and in honor, kindness, firmness and justice toward the helpless. Vigorous health, great physical strength and the excitement of competition frequently render men brusque, uncivil and even boisterous in their manners. The true athlete, however, will never lose sight of the necessity for unshaken good temper and perfect urbanity and gentleness of manner, no matter how great the heat of the strife or the magnitude of the provocation. It is in the critical moment that the chance is given him to show whether he is a gentleman.

Good to be Unprepared

Jingoes are constantly assuring us that the United States is not prepared for war. So much the better. It might be that were the United States as well prepared as some of the European nations we would right now be in the midst of the bloody butchery. Our very unpreparedness may be our salvation. No country, however, is going to attack us, and there is no reason for our attacking any other country. Uncle Sam need not look for trouble, nor need he hearken to those jingoes who would have this country take sides in the European war. The war in Europe is not our fight, even though we suffer financially because of it. The fact that this country does suffer inconveniences and hardships in some lines is proof that the countries of the whole world are inter-dependent and that there should be some tribunal to which all disputes should be submitted. Such a tribunal should be all-powerful and should be able to overawe any nation which should refuse to abide by the decision of the international body. The Hague is a court without power to enforce its edicts. The nations should agree to enforce the agreements against any country violating them. No one nation would dare refuse to obey the unanimous verdict of others. In the present case the Austria-Serbia grievances would have first come before the international tribunal. Had they been so referred there would have been no world war. At all events, the United States is not worrying because of our unpreparedness. The least we are armed, the less likely are we to undertake to bully some other nation.

"Christmas All the Time"

If you can help anybody even a little, be glad. Up the steps of usefulness and kindness God will lead you to friendship and happiness. If you wish and dream, and regret, and wonder, you will degenerate and be discouraged. If you can add any joy, strength, comfort, rest, pleasure, to lives about you, your own life will be refreshed, will be more interesting, and better worth the living. Turn your back on the past, for God forgives everything, and turn your face to a useful future, in which God recognizes anything done in kindness, even the giving of a cup of cold water.

Look bright to every one; speak gently and cheerfully; hum little tunes to yourself and to the Lord when you are working. Plan surprises for people—Jesus "went around doing good." So can you in your way with his spirit. If you will fill well the place where you are now, be sure he will give you another place, growing larger as you grow large.

What a blessed condition mankind would be in if it could enter into the spirit of Christmas and keep it up three hundred and sixty-five days in the year. Some one has said: "It is only for thirty-six hours of the year that all people remember that they are brothers and sisters, and those are the hours that we call, therefore, Christmas eve and Christmas day. But when they always remember it, it will be Christmas all the time."

A Merry Christmas at the Silverton Ranch

By ELLA HOUGHTON

KATE SILVERTON stood by the kitchen table slicing kettlefuls of pumpkins for the making of many pies. There would be fifteen men for dinner tomorrow, and the same number for supper. Moreover, there would be repetition for this same program of cooking for an army of hard-working, hungry men for several days to come. Last year's corn was all in the crib, and tomorrow would begin the work of shelling, and almost the entire crop of the present season was also to be shelled. The price had taken a sudden bound, and Bart Silverton was not one to miss an opportunity.

Kate sighed as she thought of the never-ending round and monotony of it all. There was no one to help her, and always something extra had to be done that brought her an extra number of men to provide the substantial of life for. There was not even the encouragement of necessary conveniences to do with. Her kitchen was an unfurnished workshop, for her husband's besetting sin was the saying of "can't afford."

Bart had never meant to be selfish and unkind to Kate. But Aunt Martha Silverton had liked the old house well enough, just as it was, when she kept house for her thrifty, economical nephew, and had in every way encouraged his penuriousness. She took the greatest pride and satisfaction in "getting along a'most any way to save." But Aunt Martha died one day, and Bart found himself bereft of a housekeeper. That was the long and short of the bereavement. He had a long time admired Kate Glen, the pretty-faced teacher that had gone regularly back and forth past his farm, to and from her little country school, and when one day he told her of his love and asked her for his wife, she consented to give over her life of school-teaching independence to preside over his home.

Bart Silverton was a handsome, manly fellow. He dressed well and drove good horses, had a pleasing way and a well-filled purse, so that Kate little dreamed the life of drudgery she was accepting when she essayed to take up the threads of housekeeping where Aunt Martha had so suddenly laid them down. At first she had not so very much minded the shabby old rooms and their shabbier belongings, for Bart had promised that after harvest the whole house should be thoroughly renovated and remodeled. New carpets and curtains and furniture, and pretty and convenient new things all over the house were promised, and were occasionally talked of when Kate insisted on talking of them. But when "after harvest" had four times come and gone and the old house remained the same, except for the additional shabbiness that comes with the constant wear, Katy's pretty face had come to look fretted, and a discontented tone had crept into her tone of voice. For she knew it was not necessary that things continue to go on in this way. Bart Silverton had been brought here to preside. But the dollars looked more precious to him than a handsome or even a pretty home. It had been the same with his father in his day, and his mother had always been one to "get along."

Kate was unmistakably angered and at war with the fate that had come to her this December morning. The bits of pumpkin went flying into the kettle with a speed and a sound that should have been sufficient warning to her husband that the present was not the opportune time for mentioning a Christmas dinner. But he had not seemed to note the storm-cloud flying, though it was right before her eyes.

"I say, Kate," he began, as he came into the kitchen, "we ought to have a good, big Christmas dinner this year, and invite the Westlakes, Browns and Nelsons."

"Christmas dinner, indeed," echoed Kate. "Yes, a Christmas dinner wife, I've been thinking of it for several days, and I think we'd better give one, don't you? You know the first Christmas after we were married we were invited to Westlakes, and last year to Browns, and we were entertained at Nelsons two years ago. It doesn't look well, to say the least, to not do our share of the neighborhood entertaining."

"Bart Silverton!" and Kate's face pictured an anger that good-natured, easy-going Bart had never chanced to see there before. "What do you think I'm made of? Do you consider me cast-iron and tireless? Can't you find something else for me to do? Do you care whether I live or die? Do you think I have neither heart, soul or a sense of feeling? I am literally worn out now, and all these men to cook for the next four days,

no one to take a step for me, and Christmas two weeks away, and you talking Christmas dinner."

"More than that," she continued, "you know there is not a nice article of table-furnishings in this house, except the few pieces of silver given me on our wedding-day, and the dear knows there is no use for them in this habitation. Nor is there a whole napkin or tablecloth in all this ramble-shackle of an old house. No, Bart Silverton! I'll not even try to get up a dinner, and that's—"

"But Kate," interposed her husband, looking in wonderment at her to ascertain if possible whether she had suddenly been bereft of her reason, for she had never spoken or looked like this before. "But Kate, I'll get you—"

"No! Bart Silverton, I have not the face to parade our great poverty to our neighbors and friends. We will shield it all carefully from the public—we two. I can bear it best that way." But tears had got the better of her temper by this time, and she went hurriedly away to her room to cry it out alone.

The conversation was not resumed at noon when Bart came in to dinner, and Kate spoke as pleasantly as ever. She was just a bit ashamed of the show of temper she had displayed. Yet she could not help feeling that she was justified in it all, for Bart was selfish and unreasonable, and there was no evad-

house and the worn, threadbare and dingy old things it contained looked well enough to him, for he had never been accustomed to anything better, and he had but the slightest realization of how dismal it must look to his wife. To be sure, she had told him her wishes, and had reminded him of his promises at various times. But promises are easily made, and a woman's hope and faith is strong and long-enduring.

But as there is an end to all things, so there had been at last an end to Kate's patience and endurance, and she had grown spiritless and soured in disposition, to an extent, in spite of her efforts to make the best of things. But when Bart started for town this afternoon she followed him to the door to show him that she was not so very angry after all. "Don't stay late, dear," she said. "Come home early and help me a little. There is so much to do, and I am so tired." Tears glistened in her eyes, and Bart saw them, though she kept them back bravely.

"Do you expect any letters? he asked, as he kissed her good-bye and promised an early return from the village.

"If only there might be one from Anna," she said. "It is more than three weeks since I heard from her, and I'm so homesick to see her. What does her silence mean, I wonder?"

But Bart well knew the meaning of the letter long delayed, for only last week one had come in Anna's well-known hand-writing, addressed to himself, and marked "Personal."

"Don't tell Kate I'm coming," she wrote, "for I want to surprise her. And don't you forget to meet me the tenth."

"I'll bring you something better than a letter, Kate," her husband called back to her, as he strode down the path toward the barn, where Jerry and Tom stood hitched to the platform buggy.

"I wonder what he means," quoth Kate, as she resumed her work. "He could bring me nothing better than one of Ann's letters. Oh, sister! You precious comforter! What would be the world to me if you were gone?" And she sobbed outright over the thought of it. Besides, her heart was sore with imagined neglect and disappointment at so many little things. Besides, as she said, she was so tired. And a tired body means a fretted state of mind. But presently the tears were wiped away and she went mechanically about her work, thinking dimly of the letter from Anna that did not come; of the many men she had to cook for tomorrow and for days; of the proposed Christmas dinner and the shabby old house; her monotonous life and empty purse, until at half-past six she suddenly heard the rattle of buggy-wheels and Bart's familiar "whoa!" But he had stopped at the gate, and that was queer, and he was calling her to the door. Hastening toward the hall-door, she reached it just in time to be gathered into her sister's arms and to hear from Bart, as he drove to the barn, "Told you, didn't I, that I'd bring you something better than a letter?"

In their first happy moments, after a separation of more than three years, we leave them alone. Though we may listen to a part of their conversation of the evening. For Bart heard it, too, although they had not meant him to. And he told us later of the stinging blow it gave him, and of the good effects of it all.

"I had never dreamed what I was doing," he said "until that eventful night. It woke me up with a vengeance."

Kate and Anna sat talking in the dingy little dining-room, believing Bart safely upstairs and in bed, where he said he was going more than an hour before. Instead, he had dropped down in his favorite corner by the sitting-room fireplace for just a few minutes' warming, and was soon sleeping fitfully in cat-nap fashion. Rousing suddenly from one of his naps he heard the name of Arthur King, and he sat there as if revolted to the spot, waiting and trembling, wondering what Kate would say of him.

"So fortunate," Anna had said, "that I came in time to help you through with this corn-shelling siege. But why haven't you a good, strong girl, and why don't you keep one always? Bart is able to afford you this."

And Kate had explained that Bart had never offered to keep help for her, or even to keep help on occasion, though he always kept plenty of help himself. Then she told her sister of how blue she had been all day; of Bart's insisting on their giving a Christmas dinner for the entertainment of their neighbors, and she told her of the condition of her napery and



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To make himself look spick and spandy.

And then—on the corner stood Molly,
Thin, ragged, and quite melancholy,
And sobbing aloud
In the hurrying crowd,
For she'd fallen and broken her dolly.

Such a poor little midget they thought her,
That right up between them they caught her;
To a toy shop they went,
Every penny they spent,
And a lovely new dolly they bought her.

What a Christmas thing! and so jolly,
That Peter and Patty and Polly,
All out for good times,
With their quarterns and dimes,
Should have chosen to spend them on Molly!
—Pauline Frances Camp in St. Nicholas.

ing the fact. She knew he was abundantly able to give her a lovely home. Just the sacrifice of a few acres was all that would be needed to build a little mansion and to fit it out in a style that would give her uncalculated happiness and pleasure. But the spring before, another quarter-section had been added to their landed possessions, and there was the inevitable interest, taxes and payments to be met in connection with it. Every available dollar had been paid down, and Bart was calculating that the sum he would shortly have now from the sale of the corn should make another partial payment. It would, in fact, almost clear the remaining indebtedness, though it had sold high, and he once more reasoned that they "could get along some way." And it was this continued, never-ending manner of living and reasoning that had eventually proven too much for Kate's usual amiability of temper. Bart had been blind and happy in pursuance of his greatest pleasure—that of money-getting. His life had never been in any wise monotonous, for he kept plenty of help and was never confined absolutely to his work or at home. Business called him down town several times a week, and he had hosts of congenial friends there. But Kate's life was very different. There was apparently nothing but work and worry for her. The old

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the dishes, and of the shabbiness of the whole house over, and of her husband's greed for land, cattle and fine horses, and gain in every form—forever and ever, that same insatiable greed for gain. And before she had finished she told her sister all the long story of her own ambition and pride that had been thwarted on every side, until at last she had grown to feel continually cross and discouraged. And both sisters were crying before Kate had unburdened all her heart of disappointments and trials.

"Don't you wish you had married Arthur, dear?" said Anna, sobbing and drawing Kate closer to her. "He has a lovely home, and it might have been yours. And they say Arthur will never forget you. And oh, my sister! It really kills me to see you living like this, for Roy gets me everything, and we have such a pretty home. I can never enjoy it again, though, so long as you are in this state of mind, and so neglected. I almost wish you had married Arthur. Don't you, dear?"

"No, no!" sobbed Kate. "Don't talk like that, Anna, for I do love Bart dearly, after all. And I never loved Arthur King one bit. I did admire him a little before I met good old Bart Silverton. But handsome, dear old Bart eclipsed them all. And he doesn't mean to be unjust. He really doesn't know that he is. But he is! His father and penurious old Aunt Martha both helped to make him what he is—close and almost to stinginess. But, Anna, he is good and honest, and everybody respects my husband."

And so they sat talking, Bart all the time listening and learning, as he had never dreamed before, of how ungenerous and unjust he had been to his wife, and of how loyal she was to him in the face of it all.

"We'll have the Christmas dinner, though," said Anna, "and make him heartily ashamed of himself by letting him see how really shabby everything on the table is, except the cookery. We'll do ourselves proud in that, as the saying goes. We are both famous cooks, if we do say it ourselves. Yes, we'll have the dinner, and then after Christmas I'll get you a handsome set of dishes myself, if Bart doesn't do it. And she kissed her sister good-night."

Bart crept away to bed with a weight tugging at his heart such as he had never experienced before, and his mind was filled for hours after with a thousand and one of good resolutions that should make a marked change in their manner of living. Next morning he whispered to Anna at the first opportune moment that he needed her help, as he contemplated giving Kate a Christmas surprise.

Anna Raymond's heart smote her as she looked into his handsome, honest face, and she thought: "Dear old fellow! Did I misjudge you after all!"

"Can you have a table-cloth and a dozen napkins hemmed 'twixt now and then, and without letting Kate know?"

Anna was sure she could, for she would keep a fire in her room and work evenings, she told her broad-shouldered brother-in-law. She would slip away to her room an occasional hour through the day also, and Kate would think her writing letters, or reading; so the damask was brought home and smuggled through the house and into Anna's room without having aroused a single suspicion.

"They are the nicest I could find in town," said Bart, and he wondered, as he said it, if he had ever felt quite so happy since the day Kate had said she liked him well enough to be his wife. "There will be more things home early Christmas eve. Kate says we shall have a Christmas dinner for you and Roy, and our neighbors. We'll show the neighbors a handsomely set table, too. So glad you came, Sister Anna. So glad—so glad!"

"But," to himself, "I almost dread to have Roy Raymond come to this shabby old house. A little strange that it never looked to me quite so bad before. It will not be so much longer, be sure."

The corn-shelling was over, Kate and Anna began preparations for the proposed Christmas dinner. The sisters were famous cooks, and Bart provided everything needed in abundance. The house was made as presentable as possible under the circumstances, but Kate was feeling not a little rebellious over the way that tomorrow's dinner-table would look. She had pictured it out in all its shabbiness, and had felt her mortification over it over and over again. Worst of all was to have Anna's husband see and know, and he would be there at five on Christmas morning.

Anna begged leave to drive to town with Bart the afternoon of December 24th, giving as an excuse to Kate her desire to select presents for Roy and her brother-in-law. While this was true, the main object in the trip to the village was to help Bart select the remainder of his presents for Kate. For she had brought presents for all in her trunk. They were early home again, and as they drove down the lane Kate spied a large box and many bundles in the light wagon, and wondered of their contents. But she had not long to wait to find out about it all. Imme-

diately after supper Bart and his hired man brought the hamper in, and placing it in the middle of the kitchen floor he turned to his wife and said in a low voice, "A Christmas present for you, wife. Open the package and tell me if you are pleased with the present."

"Bart Silverton, it's a lovely set of dishes, I know, from the very appearance of the hamper." Her voice trembled, and her tears were very near the surface again. Bart understood her silence and the unusual look on her face, as piece after piece she took the dishes from their excelsior bed and wrappings. Before she had reached the bottom of the hamper Anna brought the new napery and laid it in Kate's lap, and a heavy plush box, that opened, revealed to her the beauty and glitter of a dozen and a half each of silver knives, forks and spoons. Bart was not one to do things by halves, and his pocket-book had, simultaneously with his heart, opened wide. The silver in its bed of gold colored satin was beautiful, and with her eyes fixed on the picture they made she mused, "Silver and gold have I." And not only here, but better than all, in the heart of my husband. Bart, forgive me, will you, for feeling so cross at you, as I sometimes have done? I did love you all the time, Bart," and she slipped her arm about his neck as she stood beside his chair, sobbing, in her penitence, as though her heart would break.

"But, Bart; you didn't understand, did you, how bitter and hard life has seemed to me sometimes? And I seemed to be growing so bitter and rebellious. Can you forgive me, Bart? Really forgive me, and love me like this?"

There was a hushiness in Bart Silverton's voice as he told his wife that she was worthy of everything nice, and that this was but the beginning of the changes that should be made for her before the ending of another six months.

"Anna, he said, turning to his sister-in-law, who was sobbing as though there was real grief instead of happiness in the Silverton household, "if only you could come next summer again, and see the pretty home that Kate will be presiding over then. For—well, I'm going to turn over a new leaf, beginning with Christmas eve, as you see, instead of beginning with New Year's day. It takes so little to make a woman happy, and here I've been denying my wife all these things that I really can afford her. I've been a bear and a brute. But, Anna—Kate—I did not mean to be! Indeed I did not!"

Not for long months after did Kate learn that Bart had overheard the conversation between herself and sister the night of Anna's arrival, nor could she account for the great change that came over him, until at last he confessed to her that, when he came to see himself as others saw him, he concluded it quite time that he began turning over new leaves in his manner of living and providing.

The Christmas dinner was a success, and Kate's dinner-table was both a feast for eyes and palates, and if ever there beamed a happy, satisfied expression from a woman's countenance, it was from Kate's as she said to her guests, "This is all a Christmas gift surprise from Mr. Silverton. Isn't this a lovely set of china?"

Anna did come again the following September to enjoy with her sister the new home made, that "was better than new," Kate said. And when Anna came this time there was a strong German girl in the kitchen, and Kate was looking her brightest and prettiest, her heart this time—the heart that had been so full of worry and disappointment.

AMERICA STILL AHEAD.

An American and a Scotchman were walking one day near the foot of one of the Scotch mountains. The Scotchman, wishing to impress the visitor, produced a famous echo to be heard in that place. When the echo returned clearly after nearly four minutes, the proud Scotchman, turning to the Yankee, exclaimed:

"There, mon, ye canna show anything like that in your country."

"Oh, I don't know," said the American. "I guess we can better that. Why, in my camp in the Rockies, when I go to bed I just lean out of my window and call out, 'Time to get up: wake up!' and eight hours, afterward the echo comes back and wakes me."

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How Jacob Won the Widow

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SHE was the prettiest little widow in Glen-ville, and she had a cozy cottage and thirty acres of the finest land in the county, all in her own right; but it was not the land or the money honest Jacob Clark was after. He had cherished more than a fancy for pretty Tillie Winkle before she was ever married at all, but Josiah Gray came along and proposed to her while Jacob was getting up courage enough for the same purpose.

So she took Josiah, and poor Jacob said nothing, but he would not go with any girl, and there were a dozen who would have jumped at him, for he was a fine, generous fellow, and would be sure to be good to a wife. He saved up a little money and bought a bit of a grocery store not far from the Clark cottage, living there, too, and doing his own cooking in a kitchen back of the shop.

Time went on, and Jacob was a bachelor of forty-two when Josiah Clark died and pretty Tillie was left alone.

"Maybe now there'll be a chance for me," said Jacob to himself, and he resolved not to be so bashful this time, but speak as soon as it was at all proper to do so. Meantime, Mrs. Tillie had a niece as pretty as the aunt used to be (and she was almost as sweet yet) come to live with her. And about that time Jacob offered a partnership in the grocery to his nephew, Tom Evans. Tom lived with his uncle, of course, and it was not long before Tom and Lena Myers, the pretty niece, were head over heels in love with each other.

Jacob saw it plain enough, even before Tom told him one day that he had asked Lena to marry him, and she had said she would if she could be free to leave Aunt Tillie.

"But, Tom," said she, "I promised that I wouldn't leave her, not for anything, when I first came, and I can't break my word, you see. We'll have to wait. Maybe something will turn up so I can say yes, and then I will, for I do love you, Tom, with all my heart." She was not a bit afraid to tell him so, the free, frank, true girl, no nonsense about Lena, which made Tom the more sure he had chosen wisely. Can't you say something to help us, Uncle Jake?" asked Tom, in distress. "You are an old friend of Lena's aunt; maybe she would listen to you if you asked her to let us get married."

"I don't know, Tom, I don't know," answered Jacob, slowly; then, with a second thought, he told Tom about that old time, and how much he wanted Tillie himself.

"That's the very idea," cried Tom, in great glee, "You marry the aunt and then she won't be left alone. Go ask her, Uncle Jake; do go ask her!"

"Well, wait a bit," said Jacob. "I haven't been to see her yet, and I can't ask her the first time I go."

"Yes, you'll let some other fellow get ahead of you again," said Tom.

"No I won't; be sure of that. You tell Lena to keep still, and you do the same. I'll go up there next Sunday night."

So when Sunday came, and Tom took Lena out buggy riding, Jacob went to the cottage and kept Aunt Tillie company. Not a word did he say of love-making, but the same thing happened several times, and Jacob couldn't help seeing that Tillie liked to have him come. At last he spoke to her about the young folks, and told her that Tom was just breaking his good honest heart for pretty Lena, and wouldn't she let him have her?

"But, you see, I can't live all alone," said Tillie, "Lena came to stay with me, and I don't see how I can give up."

Jacob came over and took a seat very near the widow's, and then he said:

"Tillie, I want to tell you a little story. Once, ever so many years ago—about fifteen, I guess—there was a fellow who loved a girl so much that he didn't dare to tell her so. And while he was trying to along came a young farmer who had the courage, and he married the girl, and the other fellow never could get over it. He lived alone for all those years, only because he never could care for any other girl."

Tillie was blushing now, but she made out to answer:

"Ain't many men can stay faithful to one love that long."

"Well, this fellow did. He went into business, and he used to think that if ever that girl had any children he would leave all he made to them, for her sake. Why, come now, you needn't turn so rosy red; she didn't have any children, but after awhile she was left a widow, and a nice girl, a relation of hers, came to live with her. There was a young chap living with the old bachelor by that time, and

the two youngsters got to liking each other, and the bachelor, knowing how it hurts to lose the one you love best, wanted them to marry, but the aunt wouldn't let the girl go. Don't you know who I mean, Tillie?"

"Of course I do," said Tillie, looking confused and ready to cry. "And I suppose you think me a cross, hateful old thing, every one of you."

Jacob quietly took one of the plump hands lying in the widow's lap, and said:

"If anybody dared to say that of you, Tillie I'd be fit to kill 'em, I would; I didn't tell you to scold you, but because I've got a way out of the matter if you will say so."

"Well, what is it?" and the widow did really not have the slightest idea he was going to say what he did next.

"It's for you and me to live in one house, Tillie dearest, and let Tom and Lena have the other."

Tillie caught her breath, and gave one look at him; then she began to cry, shaking her head as she said:

"No Jacob, I can't do it! I can't do it! It's no use asking me—I can't!"

"Can't you ever learn to like me a little bit?" asked Jacob, sadly, with a deep sigh which cut her to the heart.

"I—I wouldn't need to learn, Jacob, I know that now."

"Why, Tillie," he threw one arm around her and was going to take a kiss, but she pushed him back.

"No you mustn't—it don't alter the case, I can't marry anybody, Jacob—never, never."

"But why, then, dear one? You are free, ain't you?"

"No, no; I am bound by a promise I daren't break."

"A promise? My goodness, who made you promise a thing like that?" cried Jacob, in surprise, not to say indignation.

At first Tillie would not tell him, but he prevailed upon her, and at last she confessed that Josiah got her to promise him before he died that she would never marry again, but live a widow always. Jacob did his best to convince her that it was a cruel, unrighteous promise, and she ought not to keep it. But all he could say would not move her.

"I like you, Jacob, and I think I could be happy with you," she said. "But I wouldn't dare break my word, unless I knew Josiah gave his consent. I'm afraid he would come back and haunt me."

"Oh, now, you don't believe in that nonsense?" exclaimed Jacob.

"Yes I do," was her answer. "I 'most know there are such things as ghosts, for my grandmother saw one. If I broke my promise to Josiah I know I'd see one."

"You superstitious little goose! It would scare you half to death if you did!"

"No, I don't believe it would. I'd want to find out what it came for—they always come for something, you know, and 'most always to do somebody some good."

Jacob laughed uproariously at her, but he couldn't change her mind. So all he had to do was to go home and tell Tom how and why he had failed a second time with the pretty widow.

Tom shook his head and looked wise, but not beaten, and presently he said:

"I've found a way through. Uncle Jake! It's the best thing in the world she believes all that humbug."

"I don't see how it is to help the case," remarked Jacob, gloomily.

"Well, I do. She thinks she will see a ghost, so just let her see one. We'll have that loony old Josiah come back and tell her he releases her from her word."

"Tom Evans, are you gone daft? Lost what little sense you ever did have? Josiah can't come back—you know he can't."

"Oh, ca't he? Perhaps he may, though! Wait till I see Lena—we shall need her help. Then I'll tell you the whole plan."

And Tom would be persuaded to say no more until the next evening, after he had taken a walk in the grove with Lena. When he came home he had a long talk with Uncle Jake, and at its close the old bachelor looked happier than he had since Tillie Gray gave him the mitten.

A week after there was to be some sort of an entertainment at the school-house, to which Tom was to take Lena. They used often to ask Aunt Tillie to go to places with them, but this time they said not a word, and after they were gone she felt a little badly over that, for it was a dark, gloomy evening, with a mourn-

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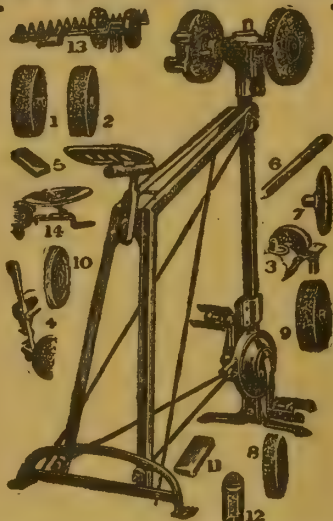


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WINDOW GARDENING.

A bay window with a southern aspect is desirable. If a bay window is not accessible, choose an ordinary window facing the south, as sunlight is necessary to the health of the plants.

The temperature of the room in which the plants are growing should not fall below 50 degrees Fahrenheit at night nor go above 75 or 80 degrees in the daytime.

Select the healthiest plants obtainable, as sickly ones are difficult to bring into condition, even by florists in more ideal surroundings.

Pot the plants in pots no larger than necessary to accommodate them. Use good soil with sand enough to keep from puddling. Some leaf mold and manure mixed with it is also advisable.

When bringing the plants indoors, cut back the tops from one-half to two-thirds. This is important. While this operation must be done at the sacrifice of the flowers, it is necessary for the life of the plant. With the disturbed condition of its root system, the plant cannot be expected to maintain a large top, flowers and all, in full vigor. When the top is cut back, the plant is stimulated to send out new shoots. By the time these begin to grow the roots have become established in the pots and the plant remains healthy.

Water the plants thoroughly, but do not keep the pots in saucers filled with water. The saucers are good to keep the water from running through to the floor, but that is all. Apply water until it begins to run through and then stop. Do not water again until the plant needs it. Plants with their tops cut back require less water than those with a large, full top. Remember that flowers can be killed by giving too much water as easily as by not giving enough.

When the plants are infested with plant

lice, they should be dipped in tobacco water to eliminate the trouble.

The following are some of the plants most easily and satisfactorily managed in the window garden:

Callas, cyclamens, chrysanthemums, coleus, begonias, primrose, fuchsias, geraniums, camellias, azaleas, and hyacinths and other bulbs.—R. A. McGinty, Colorado Agricultural College.

GROWING GERANIUMS.

I will say that the flower I was most successful with was the geranium for a house plant. I just procured some slips, made holes in a can, put rocks in the bottom, then ground, until nearly full; then I put in fine, rotten cow or horse manure, filled it up with ground, stuck the slips nearly an inch deep in it, and kept very wet, not so wet, though, that the slips would not stand up. They usually would all start in a little while to get roots. I kept them first in a cool, shady place in hot weather, and in cold weather in a little warm place until they started. After that I kept them in a light, sunny place. They would bloom then in a few months. After that I kept them from freezing in the winter, and watered them once or twice a week, and once or twice every day in the summer, and some of the plants were then blooming nearly the year round. I used black loam or sandy loam or clay for planting. I transplanted them in new soil once a year. I cut the soil loose on the sides of the can and dipped the plant out, filled the can as when planting the slips, but only partly full, then put the roots straight with the flower in the pot, filled with ground all around, leaving the plant straight in the middle of the pot. I kept the plants moist.—Mrs. J. V. Raydholm, Washington.

SUCCESS WITH FERNS.

Eighteen months ago I received as a premium to The Household Journal four ferns—Boston, Plumed fern (Nephrolepis Whitmanii), Lace fern (Asparagus Plumosus) and Shaking fern (Asparagus Sprengeri).

I grow a variety of flowers, but have best success with ferns, especially Sprengeri. This climate permits them staying out of doors on a west porch in open air (their natural clime) most of the year. The sun never reaches them except late in the evening. In southern climates must have little sun. I use eight-inch pots, with plenty of drainage, and a loose, loamy, black soil, partially leaf mold. I water them slightly most every day, but do not allow them to stand in a pool of water. At present it has eleven fronds—one 40 inches in length, one 39, another 35. The Asparagus Plumosus is 36 inches in height, and my Plumed or Lace fern is "a thing of beauty," and the wonder of my friends, as I am crippled and use crutches.—Mrs. Emma Parker, Florida.

HOW TO GROW GERANIUMS.

I have had best success in growing the geranium. I have had them grow as large around as a small tub. My method in growing these beautiful plants is a bed (as large as you wish) deeply spaded up by mixing the soil with well-rotted chip

dirt. If you have slips or cuttings, make a small hole in this soft, fine dirt, putting in water, then your slip, pressing the soil well around it, bringing the dry soil up around the top, and water every evening if the weather is dry. Make your bed and plant your slips about the first of May and in a short time you will have a beautiful bed. I mix the colors—red, pink and white—with the rose geranium, which is fragrant and beautiful.

VERBENAS.

We have tried many varieties of annuals for the bulb beds, but have found none we like as well as the verbenas. The plants may be set as soon as the foliage of the bulbs begins to die down, and comparatively few plants will soon cover a large space. We have a tulip bed several feet square, that for several years has been a mass of bloom from early summer until severe autumn frosts, with the pink, purple and white verbenas. We prefer the Mayflower varieties, as the trusses of bloom are much larger than the older kinds. Verbenas will reseed themselves in great abundance if the soil is loosened during the late fall where the seed will drop and germinate, and thus very early plants may be obtained.—Mrs. Ella F. Flanders, New York.

CHRISTMAS.

The merry Christmas bells are pealing,
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Hear the happy voices ringing,
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Of the time when Christ had come,
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Yet was he Jehovah's son.
Oh, the power, and oh, the glory
Of that reign, and sweet the story;
All praise to God, the holy one.
—Albert E. Vassar, St. Louis.

SMILAX.

Among our delicate climbers, none is more graceful or charming than smilax. This is very readily grown, either from seed or by separating the little bulblets. I often grow the plants in small pots for winter decoration, and then when spring comes place them out in the bed in the flower garden. If the summer weather is dry and hot the plants will simply die down and rest, and with the cool, damp weather of autumn new shoots will start, ready for winter house culture. In small pots with a little wire trellis the plant can be trained in almost any form desired, and in the bay window or conservatory the long festoons so much used for decorating purposes may be grown with little difficulty. A light, loamy soil is best adapted to the culture of smilax.—Mrs. Ella F. Flanders, New York.

A WILD VERBENA.

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Plants for Cemetery Planting—Mary Davis, Oklahoma—It is hardly within the province of this department to quote plants for direct sale, but we can say that Madonna lilies sell for about 20 cents each; lily of the valley, 5 cents each, 35 cents to 40 cents a dozen; snowballs, 15 cents to 40 cents each, according to size, and yuccas, 20 cents to 40 cents each. You can procure any of these things from the different catalogue houses advertising through these columns, and they will be very glad to send you copies of their catalogues.

Ismene or Hymenocallis—Mrs. H. D. Smith, Georgia—The Ismene or Spider Lily will give you blooms from season to season if it is given a resting period. If you flower it in the summer time, dry it off through the winter or the bulb can be dried off through the late summer and flowered in the early spring. It does best in the peaty soil that will not become sour and soggy. The trouble is that you have not been giving it the needed ripening or rest, and it would be a good time, therefore, to take it up and dry it off for early spring planting.

Study of Botany—L. B. Manning, Illinois—There are so many books covering this subject that it would seem to the writer that you would find interest in consulting what you can find in your public library. All of your large book stores will carry a number of works from preparatory to complete works on the subject. The book "School and Field Botany," by Dr. Asa Gray, and "Botany, Field, Forest and Garden," are both good books for the amateur and novice. They sell for about \$2.00. Undoubtedly your library contains several books which are simple and which would be found less expensive.

Black Aphid or Black Fly on Chrysanthemums—Mrs. Wm. Sampe, Wisconsin—The usual remedy for this insect is fairly strong tobacco water sprayed on the plants, tobacco stems placed in and about the plants, smoked with tobacco stems. The last named treatment is the most general used by florists and as your plants are in a small greenhouse, possibly the plants can be treated in this way. If you do not secure results with any of the different forms of tobacco, it would pay you to make small investments in the nicotine preparation as described to Mrs. A. H. Spragueville, New York, this issue. Any one having a greenhouse should have this preparation, which, while harmless to the most tender foliage, is death to the most troublesome insects.

Blue Hydrangea—Nellie I. White, Iowa—We have frequently received inquiries regarding the blue hydrangea from persons who desired plants which would bear flowers of that hue. There is no variety, however, which will bear blue flowers in all kinds of soil, but it is not an uncommon thing for the hydrangea Hortensia and other pink-flowered varieties to produce blue flowers when the soil contains certain constituents. The usual manner of securing this result is to mix iron filings in the soil, which is used to pot the plant. If the plant is already potted, and you do not wish to disturb it, use only water containing iron rust, when watering same, or stir up the surface soil and sprinkle with iron filings. Use a weak solution of alum or ammonia when watering and it will make the iron rust more rapidly and out of it in such shape that the plant can take it up.

Cherokee Roses—Mrs. Nellie O. Hunter, California—There must be some local conditions which are unfavorable to the plant flowering if it is not doing well for you, as the variety is of vigorous habit, blooms freely, and does well through the South. If you are not particular about its present location, and the plant would still make some growth this fall, the writer would suggest that you prune it and plant in some other place about the yard. If you prefer to have it remain in its present position, there is little that could be done to it until just after its next season for flowering, when the plant could be cut back as mentioned so as to induce a complete new growth. If possible, introduce some clay soil about the plant, but retard the growth of the plant as much as possible through the coming winter and keep it unusually dry to induce as much new root growth as possible.

Mildew on Roses—Mrs. Minnie Fairbanks, Minnesota—The condition of your roses, troubled as they are with mildew, is not a matter for any great worry. Mildew is a fungous growth which comes on plants when they are not in the strongest growing condition. The

disease gives the plants a white, powdery appearance and in most instances the plant drops its foliage, but the disease does not injure the plant to any great extent and new foliage will come out in a very short time. The disease appears often in the late spring, coming with sudden changes in the weather, and often it appears in the fall after there has been a sudden change of weather, cold winds, rain, etc. One should remove the affected foliage from the plant, and dust the plant well with sulphur. Fungous diseases of this nature are best prevented by regular applications of such preparations as Bordeaux mixture, a lime and sulphur preparation. At this time of the year the plants will require careful protection, by banking up some soil around the base of the plant and covering with some rough material, first to allow circulation of air around the base of the plant and then a covering with leaves, straw, etc.

A General Insecticide—Mrs. Allen Hodge, New York—The white fly which you mention is a very troublesome insect, and sometimes one can secure a remedy through the use of Persian Insect Powder, which you can get at your local drug store, but the best insecticide which the writer knows of (and which until recently has not been available for the amateur grower) is Nicotinic, an exceptionally strong and poisonous tobacco preparation. It is a liquid, and, being poison, must be transported by express, the smallest quantity available being a quarter pint. It sells for about \$1.00. This quantity will last through a whole season, as only a small tablespoonful is required for making one gallon of solution. It is applied with one of the small sprayers, which sell for about 50 cents, and the whole outfit is worth many times its cost. It will absolutely kill mealy bug, and this is the only insecticide that the writer knows of that will kill it. It will also destroy all kinds of aphid, green fly, beetles, etc. This insecticide might be considered expensive, but its wide use and effectiveness makes it worth as much as a half dozen other special insecticides put together.

Roman Hyacinths—Alfred Karlson, North Dakota—You are probably aware that the Roman hyacinths come from the south of France, where they have a temperature that is quite mild, and they are not generally used for outdoor planting, except in the southern latitude. The writer has known of the bulbs to be carried through in Ohio, and they might, with protection, in your section. As with other kinds of bulbs, it is hardly likely that you will get satisfactory results after the first year. You will find all narcissus hardy with you, and they make grand outdoor plantings. They have the value of doing well year after year.

(2) **Yucca**—Yucca plants generally bloom when two or three years old, but sometimes transplanting affects the flowering; that is, a two or three year old plant might not flower until it has remained in the ground through two seasons. Authorities generally describe the plants as being uncertain in flowering and that they often refuse to bloom for long periods and then surprisingly and unexpectedly produce an abundance of bloom. The plants do best in a sandy loam with good drainage, but they are found in a wide range of soils and do well under many different conditions.

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Forcing of Bulbs—G. W. Seibert, Pennsylvania—For the forcing of bulbs a rich compost of loam, leaf mold and sand is used, and from one to three good, large hyacinth, narcissus or tulip bulbs planted in a four or five inch pot. The potting should be done at this time and the pots then placed in a cool cellar or plunged out of doors to a depth of 8 to 10 inches. The rooting time required for early flowering bulbs, such as Roman hyacinths and Paper White narcissus, is from five to six weeks, while ten to twelve weeks is required for late flowering bulbs, such as daffodils. When the bulbs have sprouted about one and one-half inches above the bulb the pots should be brought to a temperature of about 50 degrees and kept in a subdued light until the sprout has assumed a vigorous green color. Florists usually set them under greenhouse benches for a couple of weeks. The forcing is then carried on in a temperature of about 70 degrees and from three to six weeks allowed for bringing the bulbs into flower. The prepared fiber now sold by most catalogue houses is an excellent substitute for soil and gives the same results. It allows of growing bulbs in many kinds of pans and dishes and which are without drainage.

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(3) **Geranium for Decoration or Memorial Day**—If you wish to have good geraniums for next May it is not too early to take the cuttings at this time. If you can take the cuttings indoors, any time up to Christmas will do. The

plants should be well established in two-and-one-half-inch pots the first week in March, and they will then make excellent plants in three months.

Care of Dahlias—R. B. Hardman, Illinois—In the first place, dahlias require a good protected position, as they are easily destroyed by high winds and they need plenty of air and sunlight. In close, shaded quarters they cannot be expected to give good results. The soil is not so important, as they are not so particular, excepting that in the case of a stiff clay some loose material must be added, such as coarse sand, to make the soil loose and friable. They will do well in sandy, clayey or gravelly soils if the proper kinds of plant foods are

added. You must not expect, however, dahlias to grow in a stiff, hard clay entirely devoid of humus, easily baked and never tilled. The soil must be deeply spaded and a liberal amount of suitable plant food added. Nothing is better than stable manure or bone; sheep manure or any other chemical fertilizer may be used, which is rich in ammonia, phosphoric acid and containing a liberal amount of potash. During the early stages of the growth of the plants the soil should be kept constantly cultivated, but after the buds have formed, confine this work to a simple stirring of the surface of the soil about the plants and not more than one or two inches deep. Never allow the surface of the soil to become at any time hard or baked. As

long as the roots supply more nourishment than needed to support the plant, the blooms increase in size and beauty, and great care must therefore be taken to prevent the plants from "starving out," and the flowers become smaller. If this condition seems to appear, give the plants a fertilizer rich in ammonia and which should be carefully worked in the soil. The watering of the plants is very important, but constant waterings without the needed stirring of the soil will be of little use. Without the cultivation the roots will become so enfeebled for want of air that they will not supply the needs of the plants, and as a result few buds are formed, and these dry up before developing flowers.



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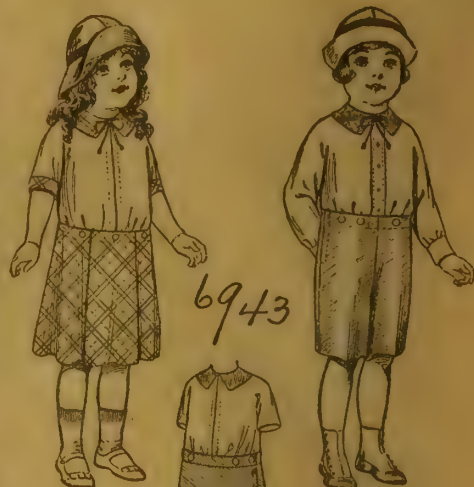
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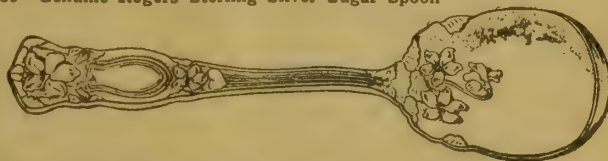
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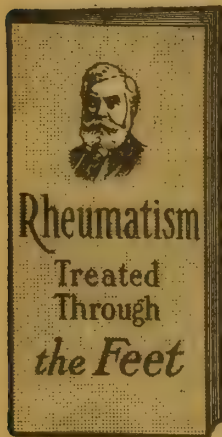


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Design No. 936. Christmas time is such a joyful season of the year that a pillow of this kind would be very appropriate. It carries the message of good cheer throughout the other eleven months and brings back to us very pleasant memories of the holidays. It is very easily embroidered, and can be worked up in a short time.

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Design No. 3709. Talcum-powder boxes can be made as attractive as need be if they are only dressed up in a little embroidered bag like the one shown above. The design, stamped on white mercerized poplin, is to be worked in French knots and solid embroidery in dainty shades of colored silk floss. The scallops would be much more serviceable and look better if they were well padded before being buttonholed.

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The words repeat

Of peace on earth, good-will to men.

And thought how, as the day had come,

The belfries of all Christendom

Had rolled along

The unbroken song

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Till, ringing, singing on its way,

The world revolved from night to day,

A voice, a chime,

A chant sublime

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

—Henry W. Longfellow.

Peace on earth, good-will to men! How very appropriate at this time, when our world is so stirred in anger and war. Let each reader read the above lines and make it a form of prayer to our Father for peace! Let us feel these words and believe them to be real. Thought is powerful, outreaching. Let the thoughts extend out over the universe, sending the pure words "Good-will to men!"

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me on my birthday, for November 10th (which should be November 9th), I felt as if I must not let it go on, for I might be taking from the shut-ins, and especially of their strength, in making the gifts. Then I felt I could not say anything in time for persons to not send, and, too, I felt this would not do, for so many would want to contribute in making the day a success. Well, you have made it quite that! And you have made it hard for me to wait and open the packages, for I am getting very curious. But I am sure I am very grateful to all. The joy I am getting out of this surprise reveals to me the joy the shut-ins must get out of their mail. Oh, let us not forget them in the future. They need us, each one.

As we have taken our text for this little talk, "Peace on earth, good-will to men!" do you think we can live up to this motto throughout the coming year and be true Sunshiners? We do not mean to be selfish, but we do forget and go along in the same slow way, getting three meals a day, living in comfortable homes, plenty of fuel to keep us warm, and plenty of everything, and we forget that some, yes, many, shut-ins have not these things. Many are hungry, many are cold. And many have to try to make their living by making fancy work, while in great pain. Now we know you want to help them, and you can, and it will not mean much for you to do. Every little helps, no difference how small.

Listen! These are our plans. Will you adopt them?

- (1) Join our Sunshine Branch.
- (2) Ask a friend to join, or many friends.
- (3) Take The Household Journal, to keep in touch with the work.
- (4) Make a sacrifice each week for some shut-in.
- (5) Keep a Sunshine Box, and in it place little gifts which you make. Then, when needed, they will be ready. So many shut-ins have sales each year, and these would be a great help to them.

DUES FOR 1915.

We are going to ask each member to contribute some fancy article as dues this year coming, to answer many needs. Perhaps we can have a sale about Christmas times and help the Emergency Fund, or we can send the gifts out to our shut-ins. Crochet, painting, or fancy work, all must be pretty and clean. Send to your President, Mrs. Gertrude Cherry, Xenia, Ohio.

NOTICE TO SHUT-INS.

We are glad to offer appeals for you, if you are real worthy and will send us reference from your doctor or minister. Do not send their name, but they must write the reference. Do not ask for money. State your case plainly as to your condition physically and financially. We have the right to reject all names. When persons send you cheer, please acknowledge the same.

APPRECIATION.

Mrs. Pearly Smith of Smith, N. C., thanks those who have sent her reading, letters and post-cards.

Mrs. Mamie Coyle, 39 Union street, Newark, Ohio, thanks "Sunshine Julia" and one in Reading, Pa., for box of fruit. She has been too ill to acknowledge cheer, so takes this plan.

James Barefoot, of Four Oaks, N. C., Box 21, R. F. D. No. 2, thanks all who have sent any cheer to him and his little shut-in-sister. They are destitute and both have suffered for years with rheumatism. The parents are dead.

Miss Dolly Rose, of Manchester, Ohio, thanks all who answered our appeal in last issue for her. She really needs us. Lying

helpless and a sick sister who lives with her, it is very hard for her. She feels she must try and do crochet work for their living. She would be grateful for D. M. C. crochet cotton 3 and 5 in white or ecru. She can not fill more orders until after Xmas. She wishes the lady in Bunker Hill, Ill., would send address so she could write her.

A grateful letter come to us from Mrs. B. A. Berry of 124 W. Piedmont street, Keyser, W. Va., who thanks all for letters and cards. She desires to thank "Brooklyn Girl" for cards and stamps. Mrs. Berry is a lonely widow, suffering all the time. She would be glad to hear from Sunshiners.

Mrs. Ada E. Winn, of Metamora, Mich., R. F. D. No. 1, thanks all who have sent her cheer. She has received a great many letters and cards from a lady in Somerville, Mass., signed "Ad Lauretta." She wrote to that address but the letter was returned. She wishes she had the correct address. Mrs. Winn is entirely helpless.

WHERE TO SEND CHEER.

We shall do so much in the years to come,
But what have we done today?
We shall plant a hope in the place of fear,
We shall speak with words of love and cheer,
But what have we done today?

A friend writes that Miss Minnie J. Pingree, of Denmark, Me., asks for cheer from sunshiners. She is a partial invalid, yet tries to cheer others.

A few post-cards would cheer Mr. J. L. Lewis, Shadyside Avenue, South Wyack, N. Y. She has not walked or been able to use her hands in years.

Mrs. Sadie Risley of Piermont, N. H., asks for orders for her fancy work. She has been an invalid in bed for many years. Yet she tries to help support herself.

Miss Bessie Smith of 813 W. Division street, Springfield, Mo., asks to be remembered during the holidays. She loves to have nice crochet work or fancy work of any kind.

A request from a shut-in of 30 years comes from Miss Jemima Jackson, Ackerville, Ala. She says she has not heard from the sunshiners for a long time and hopes they will remember her at Xmas.

Miss Elise Miller, of Canajoharie, N. Y., R. F. D., is a young girl who has never taken a step in her life. She loves to receive sunshine letters, cards and gifts. Her cheery disposition is a great help to all who know her.

Miss Mattie Moss, of Nelsonville, Ky., is still hoping to receive enough money to buy the brace she needs. She received some money from the appeal, but has not enough yet. She would be glad to receive silk pieces or material for her crochet work.

Send Xmas cheer to Mrs. Josephine Parker, Gladwin, Mich., R. F. D. No. 3. Her husband has just recently died very suddenly and she is very sad and lonely. Her little daughter, Ruth, would be glad to receive little gifts. She is about seven years old.

Miss Willie J. Sheppard, 2810 Old Temple Road, Los Angeles, Cal., is a young colored girl, who has been crippled since four years old. She asks for a letter party on Xmas. Would be glad to sell her booklet "Golden Moments" at 35 cents. It gives a picture of her and tells of her life.

Mr. Samuel Yohn, 50 West 3rd street, Pottstown, Penn., will have a birthday, December 22, when he will be 80 years old. He has been blind for over ten years. Has always been a devout Christian, and is in need of material aid. Every mite the sunshiners send will be gratefully received.

Do not forget Mrs. Mamie Coyle, 39 Union street, Newark, Ohio. She lives alone and depends on friends for what she has. Make her Xmas a happy one. Send her a towel, a pair of pillow cases, a handkerchief, or some little gift. She is always grateful for everything she receives.

Mrs. Ida Lyon, Sprangle, Washington, Box 6, was formerly a school teacher. Her health failed and after six operations and all money used for them she has been compelled to live at the County Home, which makes her very sad. Make her Christmas a happy one and send her some cheery gifts and a few stamps as she loves to write to the shut-ins.

The name of Mrs. Judson Mason, Aspen, Va., should not be forgotten at Christmas. She has not been on our list for a year. At that time her husband was ill from tuberculosis. She has five little children to care for and they are in poor circumstances. Here would be a fine place to send a Xmas box and make these little tots happy.

Miss Flossy A. Aldrich, of Williamsfield, Ohio does very pretty crochet work in silk-teen, making hair receivers. She asks all persons who want to know about her work to please send five cents for reply. She says so many have sent for prices and samples and have not sent stamps until she has spent near-

ly all she earns in answering letters. She has not answered some for lack of stamps.

Mrs. Louise M. Peavy and daughter, Bernice, of Monroe, Me., are both invalids. They would be glad to receive some interesting magazines, books or papers to help pass the lonely hours this winter.

Little gifts or a silver shower sent to Mrs. James Kelley, 145 Livingston Ave., Albany, N. Y.; Miss Frank Whitney, Mexico, N. Y.; Mrs. B. A. Berry, 124 W. Piedmont street, Keyser, W. Va.; Miss Dolly Rose, Manchester, Ohio, Adams County.

One of the sunshine members, has had a stroke of paralysis and is very low, but still she is able to know things, and we feel that a happy surprise for her would be greatly appreciated. Let each one send her a greeting or some little gift and do it right away while she can enjoy it. If you can not send her more than a pretty card, do that, please. Address, Mrs. E. L. Goldthwaites, Townsend, Mass. She always has liked to give to others, now it is her turn to receive.

Mrs. Ada E. Winn, of Metamora, Mich., R. F. D. No. 1, has been a great sufferer for ten years, but two years ago she and her mother were taken with a dreadful illness, the mother died, but Mrs. Winn has been left helpless and very weak. She can not use her hands at all. The joints on some of the fingers have been drawn until they are inside of the palm of the hands. Of course she can not write, yet she asks that sunshiners will please send her cheer. She looks forward to the mail, so try and help cheer her.

Cheerful letters, post-cards, books, mottoes, silk and calico pieces and postage stamps, would bring much cheer to Mrs. Alice Morse, of Hiesburg, Vt. She is a wheel-chair patient, having one limb amputated, and she is also deaf. A fine reference from her pastor says she is a noble character and loved by all who know her. Her limited means is the only barrier for doing for others. Her sister, Miss Nettie Parker, takes entire charge of her, and is most deserving also. Cheery cards and letters sent to her would help dispel the gloom, and brighten the lives of these two noble women.

Miss Annie Morris, of 325 Pitts street, Bedford, Pa., should by all means be on the list of every true sunshiner. She says she has not heard from the sunshiners for a long time. She suffers terribly from spinal trouble and also rheumatism and heart trouble. She has to use her hands to make fancy work to sell, for there are so many things she needs. She lives with a sister who is also sick. Last winter this poor shut-in had no fire in her room. Think of that! Can we not all open our hearts and pocket-books and send her an offering? She makes beautiful crochet slippers, baby booties, shawls, baby sacks, aprons and collars.

A very worthy person is Mrs. M. J. Maddox, of Elberton, Ga. She is an invalid and depends on strangers for a home. Some kind friends have given her a room, but she has to furnish her own fuel and food. She usually has enough through the sale of her plants, but on account of the war, people are holding their cotton, and this makes money scarce. She would be so glad if she could have a silver offering. We would suggest December 20th and we hope

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Aunt Jane's Page



CHRISTMAS BELLS.

I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

And thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along
The unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men!
Till ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day,
A voice, a chime,
A chant sublime,
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

But in despair I bowed my head—
"There is no peace on earth," I said:
"For hate is strong,
And mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men."
Then pealed the bells more loud and deep,
"God is not dead, nor doth he sleep!
The wrong shall fail,
The right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men!"

Corn meal as a breakfast food

My impression is that the simplest foods, at the least cost, and the easiest to prepare, are what all the world is seeking. In general these foods are the grains or cereal products. In one country or section of the earth the reliance is on one grain, and in another it is something else. In the early days we used the grains easiest to be grown and milled in all temperate climates, especially Indian corn, which is the easiest of all to mill. The Indians ground it between two stones, in some cases no more than cracking it, and the Indian woman of Mexico of today grinds corn between two stones to make her tortillas. The old water mills of every village of the early days ground it between two stones turned by water power. Those who can get it today buy water-ground corn meal.

If we are to use corn meal mush at any meal, present-day custom makes it almost necessary that we have it for breakfast. We may have it hot, warm, or cold and jellied, fried in fat, or buttered and toasted under the broiler.

Raisins or dates may be added to mush as to other cereals, and those who use constantly this most economical and agreeable breakfast food sometimes mix with it, to vary the flavor, one-third or one-fourth, or even three-fourths, sometimes, of one of the wheat cereals which takes the same time to cook.

I prefer to serve mush without sugar, especially if you have added raisins or dates to it. This is the only way to learn how sweet are the cereals themselves, when properly cooked. Just a little cream is ideal, but considerable milk is the old and popular way to eat mush.

Soft solid foods for invalids

Foods generally referred to by physicians and nurses as "soft solids" are those most frequently served on invalids' and convalescents' trays. They form a connecting link between an all-fluid diet and the meat-and-potato fare of the family table, and are easily digested and at the same time nourishing. Included in the list are cereals, eggs in various forms, jellies, desserts made of milk and eggs, junket, stewed fruits and the like; anything, in fact, that is not heavy nor rich and that may be acceptable to a patient whose diet is not restricted to certain kinds of food.

Of course, all such dishes should be carefully prepared and thoroughly cooked. Cereals are much more wholesome for the convalescent if cooked for a long time—over night in a fireless cooker if possible—and fruits that are to be stewed should be selected with care and cooked

until thoroughly done. Milk toast should be served steaming hot, immediately the milk has been poured over the dry toast, and poached eggs should be done to a turn and served on rounds of nicely browned toast.

How to make hard water soft for use in the laundry

Mrs. Annabell Turner, instructor in home economics at the University of Wisconsin, writes as follows on this subject:

"It's carbonate of lime that makes water temporarily hard. Such water can be softened by boiling. Permanent hardness is caused by sulphate of lime. The only remedy lies in the use of some chemical. Cheapest and best of these are alkalies, as washing soda, borax, and ammonia. Washing soda, the most effective softener for ordinary use, should be used in the following proportions unless the water is very hard. For each gallon of water use two tablespoonfuls of a solution made by dissolving one pound of washing soda in a quart of boiling water. Borax is more expensive than washing soda, but it is especially good for colored goods and wool. Iron in water is harder to treat. The only satisfactory method is to add washing soda to the water and let it settle five or six days before using.

Macaroni pie

From one-half pound of raw ham remove the fat and try this out in a frying pan. In this fat brown two medium-sized onions, cut into slices. Add the ham cut in small cubes and cook thoroughly. Next add a cupful of any left-over cooked meat, one cupful of tomatoes and one cupful of stock or water. Season with salt and pepper. Simmer twenty minutes. If not thick enough, add a little flour moistened in water. Place this mixture in a baking dish, cover with well-cooked macaroni or spaghetti, and set in the oven to heat through. A grating of cheese may be added if desired.

Some things worth knowing

No matter how much dripping is used, fish when being fried is apt to stick to the pan's bottom. If a teaspoonful of dry salt is put into the pan and rubbed

When steaming potatoes, put a cloth over them before putting the lid on. They will take much less time to cook and be much more mealy than when done in the ordinary way.

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Apple Dumplings—Two cups sifted flour, two level teaspoons baking powder, one-fourth teaspoon salt, one-fourth cup shortening, about three-fourths cup milk, four apples, cinnamon and sugar. Roll dough into a square sheet one-third inch thick and cut into four pieces. Lay a cored and pared apple on each piece, fill center with sugar and cinnamon, then draw up the paste to cover apple, make smooth, and bake on buttered dish. Serve hot with hard sauce or cream.

Water Sponge Cake—Beat the white of one egg in a bowl till stiff, then add the yolks of

four eggs and beat well. Add slowly one and three-fourths cupfuls of fine granulated sugar and beat. Now add one cupful of boiling water and beat until smooth. Add two and one-half cupfuls of flour sifted with four level teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Fold in the stiffly-beaten whites of three eggs and do not beat any more. Bake in a slow oven. Be careful to follow closely directions.

Chocolate Dominoes—One-half cupful of pecan nut meats, one-half cupful of English walnut meats, one-half cupful of figs, one-half cupful of dates, grated rind of an orange, one tablespoonful of orange juice, one square of chocolate, melted. Mix the nuts, figs and dates, and force through a meat chopper, or chop finely. Add the remaining ingredients, toss on a board sprinkled with powdered sugar, and roll to one-third inch in thickness. Cut in domino shapes, spread thinly with melted unsweetened chocolate, and decorate with small pieces of blanched almonds to imitate dominoes.

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Fruit Layer Cake—Half cup butter (scant), one and one-half cup granulated sugar, sifted, one cup cold water, three level cups flour, sifted three times before measuring, two rounded teaspoonfuls baking powder, whites of four eggs. Flavor with one-fourth teaspoonful almond extract and half teaspoonful of vanilla, mixed. Cream butter and sugar, add one-third of the water and one cup of flour; beat thoroughly, add second cup of flour; continue beating; into the last cup of the flour sift the baking powder, and add as the others, then the rest of the water. Flavor and then cut and fold in the stiffly beaten whites very carefully. This will make three large layers. Bake in hot oven.

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But men and women brave and true,
Warm hearts and busy hands.

CHICKEN PUDDING.

Cut up a young chicken into good-sized pieces; put in a sauce pan with just enough water to cover well. Season with pepper and salt, boil until tender; take the chicken from the broth and remove all the bones. Place the meat in a well-buttered pudding dish, season again if necessary and add a few bits of butter. Make a batter as follows: Eight eggs beaten light, mixed with one quart of milk, three tablespoonfuls of melted butter, one teaspoonful of salt, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder and enough of sifted flour to make a batter like griddle cakes. Pour over the chicken and bake one hour in a moderate oven. Make a gravy from the broth that remained from cooking the chicken, adding a tablespoonful of flour stirred into a third of a cupful of butter; let it boil up, adding more water if too thick, and serve with the pudding.

CHICKEN AND MACARONI.

Boil a chicken until very tender, take out all the bones and mince fine. Boil a half pound of macaroni until tender, first breaking it up in pieces one inch long. Butter a pudding dish, put on the bottom a layer of the cooked macaroni, then a layer of the minced chicken, bits of butter, pepper and salt, then some of the chicken liquor; over this put another layer of macaroni, and so on until the dish is full. Pour a cupful of cream over the whole and bake half an hour. Serve from the dish in which it was baked.

MUTTON SOUP.

Four pounds of mutton from the neck, three quarts of cold water, three carrots, two turnips, one small cabbage or part of a larger cabbage, one stalk of celery, a few sprigs of parsley, one medium-sized onion, six cloves, one spring of thyme, one sprig of marjoram, two tablespoonfuls of salt.

Wipe the meat carefully, cut into small pieces, and cover with the water. Bring very slowly to the boiling point and skim. Add the vegetables cut into small pieces and other seasoning, and cook slowly for three hours. Strain, cool, and remove the fat. Serve either clear, with rice, or with the vegetables finely chopped.

MACARONI ROLLS.

If some of the macaroni and cheese served at dinner is left, save it for lunch on the next day. When the macaroni is cold, it is less moist and may easily be shaped into croquettes. Do this and then roll each croquette in fine, dry bread crumbs. Beat up the white of an egg

with a little cold water and dip the croquettes in this and then again roll in crumbs. Fry in deep fat. The dish is as nourishing as it is delicious.

DATE DISHES ARE VERY DELICIOUS.

A pound of dates will make two pies. Wash and heat slowly in a quart of milk. When soft, stone and crush or put through a colander. Ad an egg or a teaspoonful of dissolved corn starch. Bake a pie crust and place the mixture in it, using lattice work of pie crust across the top. Or whipped cream or meringue may be used on top, if preferred.

SNAPPY OMELET.

For a snappy omelet, cook two or three slices of bacon crisp and remove the meat. Fry in this fat a slice of onion until it is golden brown and remove it. Turn in three or four eggs beaten slightly and mixed with some tomato pulp which has been drained from its liquor, the fried onion and bacon slices chopped fine; season with paprika and cook like an ordinary omelet.

JOINING CARPET.

If two pieces of carpet are to be joined together, it is a mistake to make a seam, which causes an unsightly ridge on the right side. The patterns should first be matched, the carpet then reversed and each edge buttonholed firmly with flax thread the color of the groundwork. The two pieces should then be drawn together firmly so that a perfect joint is the result.

CUSTARD HINTS.

Before using milk for custard, scald it thoroughly and cool it, then use in the usual way. The custard will not become watery. Also add a little salt, as it improves the flavor. If the custard is to be put in a pie, mix one teaspoonful of flour with the dry sugar before adding the milk and eggs, unless one can use at least four eggs, as the flour will take the place of an egg.

TO BAKE COOKIES.

When baking cookies, turn pan upside down. Place the cookies on top and you will find the cookies will brown nicely on top with no danger of scorching on the bottom.

CHRISTMAS TREES.

By way of practical suggestion we shall only submit the following as to the dangers of the Christmas tree, all of which are easily followed and have been made before in these bulletins:

Don't leave an illuminated tree unwatched.

Don't use festoons of tissue paper or cotton batting on a tree.

Don't use any ornaments of celluloid.

Don't let the children touch the tree.

Don't permit a draft of air to sway the branches of a tree while it is illuminated.

Don't put cotton beneath a tree to make the carpet look like snow-covered ground.

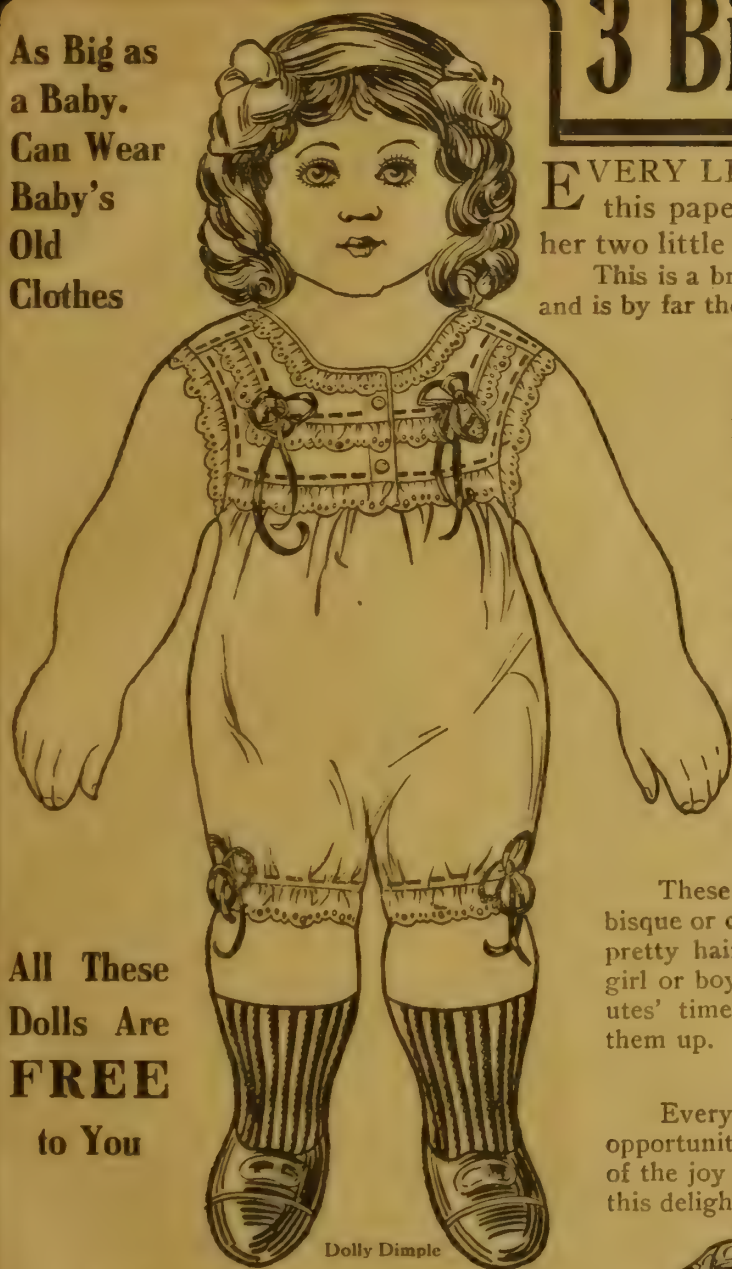
Don't remove a thing from the tree until the candles on it are blown out.

If the appearance of snow is desired for any purpose use "mineral wool," or asbestos. It will not burn and gives a better effect than cotton.

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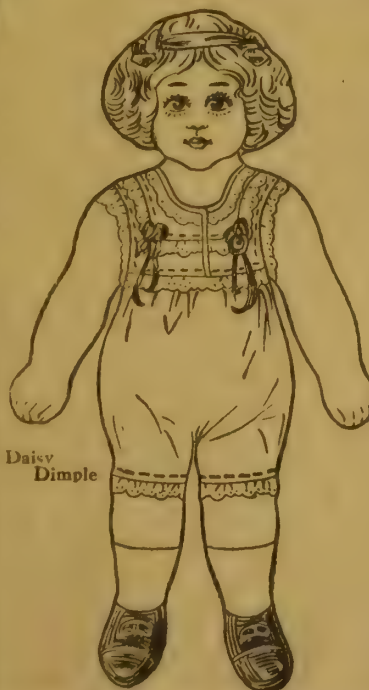
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HOW JACOB WON THE WIDOW

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ful wind sighing through the pine-trees in the yard, enough to make anybody lonely.

Tillie sat alone and thought over things until she began to sob softly and wipe her bright eyes, which were dimmed with tears.

"It wasn't—wasn't right of Josiah to—to bind me so!" she wept. "If he hadn't I needn't be lonesome. I'd have somebody to stay with me always, and he'd be—be so—so good to me! I wish I hadn't promised, I do!"

Just then the wind gave a terrible sigh and swept through the open window of the cottage with such force that it put out the lamp. The light from the street-lamp on the corner shone in through the window enough to show her where to find the matches, and she rose to get one, when the door softly opened and something white and tall seemed to advance into the room.

"What—what is it? Who—who are you? What do you want?" said the little widow, shrinking back and trembling all over. "Oh, I am so frightened!" She dropped helpless into a chair, as the figure answered, in deep, solemn tones:

"Fear not! I bring thee happiness!"

"Oh! what—what do you want? Who—who are you?" she could repeat, in terror.

"I am the spirit of thy husband. I have come to tell you that I set you free from your promise. I—I thought some bad man might want you for your property. Jacob Clark is a good man—"

"Oh, you know about it then?" asked Tillie, recovering from her fright in her astonishment.

"I know. We know all things. He is a good man. Marry him and be happy, then I shall rest in peace. Farewell! I will come no more. You are free. Farewell!"

The white figure turned and slowly stalked from the room, shutting the door behind it, as the wind gave another heavy sigh.

"My goodness me! breathed Tillie, "I did see a ghost after all! I always knew I would! I was scared at first, but I ain't a bit now. Only I wish—somebody—would come, so it wouldn't be so lonesome."

She slipped out her chair, and still trembling in spite of her words, she got a match and lit the lamp. It was rather remarkable that she had hardly done so when a rap sounded

on the door, and when she ran to open it, there stood Jacob Clark.

"Good-evening, Tillie!" said he, coolly. "I knew the children were gone, and I thought you might be afraid with the storm coming up, so I came down."

And then, as Jacob walked in, he was surprised by Tillie fairly flinging herself into his arms, and saying, breathlessly:

"Oh, Jacob, I've seen him! He said I was free! If—if you want me, you can have me, if you'll take me, Jacob!"

"If I'll take you, Tillie?" Right then and there Mr. Jacob did "take her" into his strong embrace, and before the youngsters came home the whole affair was settled to the satisfaction of everybody. Jacob and Tillie were to keep the cottage and live in it, and Tom and Lena to take the little new house just going up across the street from the grocery.

But Tillie didn't see the two men when they left the cottage together stop in the corner of the yard and pick up a big bundle.

"I thought I'd smother in all this white stuff!" said Tom, in a low tone. "Didn't she take it in fine? If all women were like her I wouldn't mind playing ghost every once in a while!"

"Tom, you must never, never in your life let her get one inkling of this!" answered Jacob, soberly. "It was almost a shame to fool her so."

"Twasn't at all!" replied Tom. "We will keep it a dead secret forever, trust Lena and me for that! We only fooled her for the good of four people, and now you've won her, and I've won Lena, and you may thank me for it."

"I do, with all my heart," said Jacob.

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A young lady took down the receiver of the telephone one day and discovered that the line was in use.

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SUNSHINE CORNER

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every one will send a small offering. She gets around on crutches, and is certainly worthy of any help which may be sent.

A sad case is that of a young lady who is an invalid. She and her aged mother are compelled to live in a basement for they can not afford to rent rooms. No wonder she is ill. She has no chance to get better without pure air and sunshine. She is a worthy case and anything which can be sent to her to buy food, would mean much to them. The mother is too feeble to do much work any more. Address Miss Ida Newton, 60 Catherine street, Albany, N. Y.

Miss Josie Gregg, Parrottsville, Tenn., R. F. D. No. 3, has not walked since 1905. Her limbs are all drawn out of shape on account of rheumatism. She lives with her brother's family, and has very little of this world's goods. Any little offering would mean a great deal to her. She asks for Christmas cheer. She sends the name of an old lady, 82 years old who lives alone. Little gifts would please her. No letters should be required as she can not write. Send to Mrs. Mary Gregg, Parrottsville, Tenn.

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NEW PUZZLES

No. 1—SQUARE

1. An old sheep. 2. Provisions for successive relief. 3. A tree. 4. Certain parts of a church. 5. Observe.—Ben C. Dixon, Mexico, N. Y.

No. 2—ACROSTIC

The initial letters spell the name of a famous executive statesman.

1. The most common of all fluids. 2. Water congealed to hardness. 3. A city in Illinois. 4. A carpenter's instrument. 5. A fruit. 6. An European country.

—Alfred Woelffer, Chicago, Ill.

No. 3—LADDER

The uprights spell the name of a former President of the United States and the maiden name of his wife.

The rounds are as follows: 1. A contemptible person. 2. A prefix meaning six. 3. Sunlight. 4. A separate article. 5. Not another time.

—Maggie C. Bangs, Gorham, Me.

No. 4—NUMERICAL ENIGMA

My 1, 3, 17, is a numeral.
My 2, 5, 15, 7, 8, is a building.
My 4, 14, 19, 12, is to have.
My 10, 11, 12, is not young.
My 9, 6, 7, 1, 11, 3, is to hurry.
My 13, 15, 7, 1, is a correct decision.
My 16, 15, 17, is to move quickly.
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—Mrs. H. G. Tuttle, Fort Wayne, Ind.

PRIZE OFFERS

For the best list of answers to the puzzles in this issue, an assortment of souvenir post cards; for the second best list, six Colorado pens; for the third best list, a package of Wonder Polish.

An assortment of souvenir post cards will be given the person sending the best original puzzle this month.

PALAUVER

A list of answers to the August puzzles sent by Mrs. B. F. Johnson, of Harlingen, Texas, was received too late for that month's contest.

ANSWERS TO SEPTEMBER PUZZLES

No. 1—Rodomontade. Rood. Node. Mate.

No. 2—Eagle. No. 3—

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SEPTEMBER PRIZE WINNERS

Second best list, Ruby M. Oxley, Ventura, Iowa.

Third best list, Mrs. E. W. Depue, Box 37, Kensington, Md.

Best list of answers, Mrs. C. D. Reed, 1105 North Fifth Street, Springfield, Ill.

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Pleasantries

The learned doctor from the town

Came for a rural stay,

On tufted grass he sat him down,

And hummed a rural lay.

The hornet there with ugly frown

Hummed, "This is my busy day."

And for six minutes up and down

The doctor had his say,

And till sundown with unguents brow

It was his busy day.

Howard—"A fool and his money are soon

parted."

Mrs. Howard (clapping her hands)—"Oh,

John! How much are you going to give me?"

—Life.

"What is your greatest wish, doctor, now

that you have successfully passed for your de-

gree?"

Young Doctor—"To put 'Dr.' before my own

name and 'Dr.' after the names of other peo-

ple."—Life.

Judge—"Have you ever seen the prisoner at

the bar?"

Witness—"Never, your honor; but I've seen

him when I've strongly suspected he'd been at

it."—Boston Transcript.

"Hello, Mike, where did you get that black

eye?"

"Why, O'Grady's just back from his honey-

moon an' 'twas me who advised him t' get

married."

"Sam, dear," asked Mrs. Prouty, who had

been away from home the greater part of

July and August, "what is the matter with the

garden?"

"I don't know," answered Sam humbly. "I

haven't done anything to it."

The negro coachman of a Southern Senator

who attends the Episcopal church, after an

invitation from the Senator's wife, went into

the church one Sunday morning instead of

staying outside.

"How did you like the service, Jim?" she

asked afterwards.

"Not much, mistis," Jim replied. "That

ain't no church for me. Dey wastes too much

time readin' th' minutes ob th' previous meet-

in'."

NO RELIEF.

The cynical person was standing in front

of a part of an exhibition of local art talent

labeled "Art Objects."

"Well, I suppose Art does object, and I

can't blame her, but there doesn't seem to be

any help for it," he finally said.

A STRIKE.

Judge—"You say you saw that prisoner

strike the complainant? On what provoca-

tion?"

Witness—"Why, he pulled out a roll of

ills, your honor."

Judge—"And you mean to say the prisoner

struck him for that?"

Witness—"Well, he struck him for some of

it."

CORRECT INFORMATION.

An important-looking and haughtily-acting

young man was wandering up and down on the

platform of the railroad station of a small

Western city. He was intent on finding an

empty seat in the express, which was almost

due to start. Vainly did he search each car.

Suddenly he assumed an official air, and, walk-

ing up to the last car, he cried out:

"All change here. This car will be left

here."

The occupants of the crowded car uttered

exclamations which proved their dissatisfac-

tion, but hurried out and packed themselves in

other coaches. The face of the young man

assumed a bland and childlike expression as

he settled himself comfortably in an empty

seat.

Shortly after, the station agent put his head

in at the door, and said:

"I suppose you're the smart boob who told

the folks this car wasn't going aren't you?"

"Yes," replied the bright youth, with a grin.

"Well," responded the station agent, "you

were right. It isn't. The brakeman heard you

calling out about it, and so he uncoupled it.

He thought you were an official."—Lippincott's.

"IF WORTH DOING AT ALL, IT'S WORTH," ETC.

Small Thomas overheard his mother saying

to his older brother that it was a tactful thing

to appear to think people younger than they

were.

His sister's French teacher arriving shortly

after, it fell to Thomas to entertain her until

his sister appeared. Thomas decided to do it

up brown.

"How old are you, Miss Grey?" he asked

politely.

"I'm dreadfully old, Thomas," she answered.

"I'm twenty-three."

"Oh," said Thomas, gulping a little with

the unusual effort, "I—I never thought you

were more'n—s-seven."—Lippincott's.

THE DOCTOR WAS WORRIED.

Patient—"You are worried about my case,

doctor. I can see it in your face."

Doctor—"No-o, not exactly."

Patient—"Tell me the truth, doctor. I want

to know just what you think."

Doctor—"Well, to be quite candid with you,

I was worrying about your bill. You haven't

paid me a cent in two years."

SOME EXTRA TIRES.

Harry—"I understand Gertrude Gadlotte

married a man who made a big fortune by a

lucky speculation in pork."

Grace—"Yes; and he disgraced her while

they were on their honeymoon."

Harry—"How did he do it?"

Grace—"Gertrude wanted the other passen-

gers to think an ocean voyage was an old story

to them, when her husband, the first crack out

of the box, pointed to a row of life preservers

and asked the captain what was the idea of all

the extra tires."

NOTHING PERSONAL.

A worker in one of the mission settlements

was speaking to some water front boys with

reference to Roman history. He touched upon

the doings of Nero, giving a vivid picture of

the cruelty of the emperor. It seemed to the

speaker that he had fixed the idea of injus-

tice and wickedness in the minds of his hear-

ers. Then he began to ask a few questions:

"Boys, what do you think of Nero?"

Silence only broken by an uneasy shifting

of the lads in their seats.

"Well, Clancy," said the lecturer, making

an individual appear, "what do you think of

Nero? Would you like to know him?"

Clancy hesitated. Finally, after again being

nudged to reply, he did so in these words:

"Well, he never done nothin' to me."

TESTING THE DOG.

Recently an old friend of the Browns went

to see them at their new country home. As

he approached the house a large dog ran out

and began barking at him through the fence.

As he hesitated about opening the gate,

Brown's wife came to the door and exclaimed,

"How do you do! Come right in. Don't mind

the dog."

"But won't he bite?" exclaimed the friend,

not anxious to meet the canine without some

assurance of his personal safety.

"That's what I want to find out," exclaimed

Mrs. Brown. "I just bought him this morn-

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